

STATE OF CONNECTICUT OFFICE OF HEALTH CARE ACCESS

CRISTINE A. VOGEL COMMISSIONER

December 21, 2006

Jennifer L. Groves, Esquire Updike, Kelly & Spellacy, P.C. One Century Tower 265 Church Street New Haven, CT 06510

RE: Certificate of Need Determination; Report Number 06-30880-DTR Housatonic Valley Radiological Associates, P.C. Relocation of MRI unit from Danbury to Southbury physician practice location

Dear Attorney Groves:

On November 17, 2006, the Office of Health Care Access ("OHCA") received the Certificate of Need ("CON") Determination request of Housatonic Valley Radiological Associates, P.C. ("HVRA") regarding HVRA's plan to relocate an existing mobile MRI unit from HVRA's Danbury practice location to HVRA's Southbury practice location. Please be advised that OHCA has reviewed the information and makes the following findings:

- 1. HVRA states that it is a professional corporation with practice locations in Danbury, New Milford, Southbury and Ridgefield.
- 2. It is HVRA's intent to remove the existing mobile MRI unit operating at the Danbury practice location and relocate it to an existing practice location at 800 Main Street in Southbury.
- 3. The capital cost related to this relocation \$ 80,000 to \$110,000 representing the Fair Market Value of the currently leased equipment. This unit is already leased by HVRA and has been in operation at HVRA's Danbury practice location. HVRA commenced leasing this unit prior to July 1, 2005.
- 4. HVRA will primarily serve the following communities with the MRI unit to be relocated to Southbury: Southbury, Middlebury, Newtown, Oxford, Roxbury and Woodbury.
- 5. MRI services will be provided by HVRA physicians and staff.
- 6. No facility fee will be charged.

7. OHCA acknowledges that it was aware of HVRA's intent to relocate this unit to the Southbury practice location during OHCA's review and approval of the CON application under Docket Number 04-30331-CON.

Based on a review of these facts, OHCA determines that the relocation of the existing MRI unit, leased and operated by Housatonic Valley Radiological Associates, P.C. prior to July 1, 2005, from its Danbury practice location to its Southbury practice location at a project related capital cost of \$80,000 to \$110,000, representing the fair market value of the existing MRI unit, does not require additional CON authorization.

Thank you for providing information to OHCA regarding this proposal. If you have any questions regarding the above matter, please contact Karen Roberts at OHCA at (860) 418-7041.

Sincerely,

Signed by Commissioner Vogel on December 21, 2006

Cristine A. Vogel Commissioner

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Copy: Rose McLellan License and Applications Supervisor, DPH, DHSR OHCA file under CON Docket Number 04-30331-CON, as modified by Docket Number 06-30331-MDF