

STATE OF CONNECTICUT OFFICE OF HEALTH CARE ACCESS

M. JODI RELL GOVERNOR CRISTINE A. VOGEL COMMISSIONER

January 30, 2008

Claudio A. Capone Director, Strategic and Business Planning The Hospital of Central Connecticut 100 Grand Street New Britain, CT 06050

RE: Certificate of Need Determination; Report Number 08-31085-DTR The Hospital of Central Connecticut Replacement of Existing Analog Mammography Units with Full-Field Digital Mammography Units

Dear Mr. Capone:

On January 16, 2008, the Office of Health Care Access ("OHCA") received The Hospital of Central Connecticut's ("Hospital") request for a Certificate of Need Determination regarding the replacement of four existing analog mammography units with four full-field digital mammography units. Upon review of the information contained in the request, OHCA finds the following:

- 1. The Hospital of Central Connecticut ("Hospital") is an acute care hospital located at 100 Grand Street, New Britain, Connecticut.
- 2. The Hospital currently has seven existing analog mammography units, at three sites:
  - Radiology Department, New Britain General Campus, 100 Grand Street, New Britain
  - Diagnostic Breast Center, 40 Hart Street, New Britain
  - Women's Center, Bradley Memorial Campus, 81 Meriden Ave, Southington
- 3. The Hospital is proposing to replace the four oldest units with full-field digital mammography units, with the three remaining units kept as backups.
- 4. The Hospital is proposing to replace its existing mammography imaging equipment with a Selenia Full Field Digital Mammography System.

An Equal Opportunity Employer 410 Capitol Ave., MS#13HCA, P.O.Box 340308, Hartford, CT 06134-0308 Telephone: (860) 418-7001 Toll-Free: 1-800-797-9688 Fax: (860) 418-7053 5. The proposed total capital expenditure for the proposal is as follows:

Table 1: Total Capital Expenditure	
Equipment	Cost
Major Medical Equipment	\$1,178,000
Construction/Renovation	\$250,000
Total Capital Expenditure	\$1,428,000

Pursuant to Section 19a-639 C.G.S., CON approval is required, regardless of cost, for anyone acquiring, purchasing or accepting donation of a CT scanner, PET scanner, PET/CT scanner, MRI, cineangiography equipment, a linear accelerator or other similar equipment utilizing new technology that is being introduced to the state. The Hospital of Central Connecticut is not proposing to acquire a CON regulated piece of imaging equipment. In addition, the proposed capital expenditure does not exceed \$3,000,000. Therefore, based on the above information, OHCA determines that the Hospital of Central Connecticut's proposal to replace its mammography equipment at a total capital expenditure of \$1,428,000 does not require CON authorization pursuant to Section 19a-639 C.G.S.

If you have any questions concerning this letter, please contact Kim Martone, CON Supervisor, at (860) 418-7001.

Sincerely,

## Signed by Commissioner Vogel on January 30, 2008

Cristine A. Vogel Commissioner

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