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## OFFICE OF HEALTH CARE ACCESS

M. JODI RELL GOVERNOR CRISTINE A. VOGEL COMMISSIONER

May 28, 2008

David Whitehead Vice President – Planning The William W. Backus Hospital 326 Washington Street Norwich, CT 06360

RE: Certificate of Need Determination Report Number 08-31169-DTR
The William W. Backus Hospital
Relocation of Existing Outpatient CT Scanning Service within Norwich

Dear Mr. Whitehead:

On May 22, 2008, the Office of Health Care Access ("OHCA") received your Certificate of Need ("CON") Determination request concerning the relocation of existing outpatient CT scanning services from 12 Case Street to 113 Salem Turnpike in Norwich, at a proposed capital expenditure of \$376,236. OHCA has reviewed the information contained in your request and makes the following findings:

- 1. The William W. Backus Hospital ("Hospital") is an acute care hospital located at 326 Washington Street in Norwich.
- 2. The Hospital currently operates an existing outpatient scanning service at 12 Case Street, Norwich. Acquisition of the CT scanner was approved under Docket Number 06-30766-CON.
- 3. The Hospital proposes to relocate the CT scanner to the Backus Outpatient Care Center, at 113 Salem Turnpike, Norwich.
- 4. The Hospital indicated that the relocation of this service will improve access to meet the CT scanning needs of the Hospital's outpatient population.
- 5. The Hospital is not proposing the acquisition of new equipment at this time.

- 6. The target population for the service will be the same as the existing population, and there is expected to be no change to the existing payer mix for the service.
- 7. The associated capital expenditure for relocation of the CT scanner is \$376,236, for construction and renovation.

Based on the findings above, OHCA has determined that the relocation of the CT scanner within Norwich does not represent the purchase, lease, or acceptance of a CT scanner pursuant to Section 19a-639, C.G.S., and does not require Certificate of Need approval.

Thank you for keeping OHCA informed of your plans regarding this proposal. If you have any questions regarding the above, please contact Alexis Fedorjaczenko, Health Care Analyst, at (860) 418-7067.

Sincerely,

Signed by Commissioner Vogel on May 28, 2008

Cristine A. Vogel Commissioner

C: Rose McLellan, License and Applications Supervisor, DPH, DHSR

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