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January 28, 2005

Paul Masotto
Executive Director, NVRA/CRN
Naugatuck Diagnostic Imaging, LLC
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Suite 209, Bldg. 1
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Re: Certificate of Need Determination; Report Number: 05-30431-DTR
Naugatuck Diagnostic Imaging, LLC
Imaging Equipment Acquisition: Computer Tomography Scanner

Dear Mr. Masotto:

On January 25, 2005, the Office of Health Care Access ("OHCA") received a Certificate of Need Determination request regarding the proposal of Naugatuck Diagnostic Imaging, LLC, ("Applicant") to acquire a computer tomography ("CT") scanner for its office practice located in Naugatuck. OHCA has reviewed the information contained in your request and makes the following findings:

1. Naugatuck Diagnostic Imaging, LLC, has operated its radiology physician practice in Naugatuck since 1998.
2. The Applicant's Naugatuck office practice is located at 305 Church Street.
3. The existing service area for the Applicant's Naugatuck office includes Naugatuck, Oxford, Beacon Falls and Prospect.
4. Naugatuck Diagnostic Imaging, LLC, plans to acquire and own a Picker/Phillips PQ-2000 CT scanner.
5. The CT scanner will be utilized to conduct imaging for patients of Naugatuck Diagnostic Imaging, LLC, who require such studies and must currently travel to the Waterbury practice office to receive CT scanning services.

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6. Naugatuck Diagnostic Imaging, LLC, is the entity that will bill for the CT imaging services rendered, receive payment for those services and be responsible for the provision of professional diagnostic services rendered to patients.
7. The total capital expenditure associated with this proposal is \$87,500, which includes \$30,000 for the CT scanner and \$57,500 for building renovations to accommodate the proposed service.
8. The total capital expenditure of \$87,500 will be financed through operating funds of the Applicant.
9. The proposed CT service will not change the payer mix of the Applicant's Naugatuck office practice. CT imaging services will be provided to all patients, including those individuals participating in Medicare, Medicaid, commercial insurance and managed care programs, as well as self-pay patients.
10. The estimated starting date for the proposed CT imaging service is February, 2005.

Based on the above findings, OHCA has determined that Certificate of Need approval is not required for Naugatuck Diagnostic Imaging, LLC, to acquire a CT scanner for its office practice located in Naugatuck, CT, at a total capital expenditure of \$87,500. Please be advised, however, that if the Applicant changes the scope of services to be provided at the Naugatuck office practice or incurs a total capital expenditure equal to or greater than \$400,000 for the CT scanner, or incurs a total capital expenditure equal to or greater than \$1,000,000 for the project, Certificate of Need approval from OHCA would then be required.

Thank you for advising OHCA of your plans. If you have any questions concerning this letter, please contact Jack A. Huber, Health Care Analyst, at OHCA at (860) 418-7034.

Sincerely,

Signed by Cristine A. Vogel
Commissioner

cc: Rose McLellan, Licensing Examination Assistant, DHSR, DPH

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