## STATE OF CONNECTICUT OFFICE OF HEALTH CARE ACCESS

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Via Facsimile Only

J. Kevin Kinsella Vice President Hartford Hospital P.O.Box 5037 Hartford, CT 06102-5037

RE: CON Determination; Report Number: 09-31399-DTR
Hartford Hospital's Proposal to Acquire and Operate a Bi-Plane
Cineangiography System that will Provide the Hospital a Second
Neuro-Interventional Radiology Suite, Pursuant to 19a-639(a), C.G.S.,
as amended by Public Act: 09-232, Section 94(c)

Dear Mr. Kinsella:

On July 7, 2009, the Office of Health Care Access ("OHCA") received your completed Certificate of Need ("CON") Determination request on behalf of Harford Hospital to acquire and operate a bi-plane cineangiography system that will provide the Hospital a second neuro-interventional radiology suite in Hartford, Connecticut. OHCA has reviewed your request and makes the following findings:

- 1. Hartford Hospital ("Hospital") is an acute care hospital located at 80 Seymour Street in Hartford, Connecticut.
- 2. The Hospital is seeking to acquire and operate a Siemens Artis Zee, bi-plane cineangiography system. The new system will provide the Hospital with a second neuro-interventional radiology suite.
- 3. The Hospital contends that the proposal will allow the Hospital to meet increasing demand for neuro-interventional services and allow emergent procedures to be performed with less disruption to non-emergent, scheduled cases.

- 4. The current and target populations to be served by this proposal are patients residing in the Hospital's service area who suffer from cerebrovascular strokes or aneurysms.
- 5. The Hospital contends that the total capital expenditure associated with the proposal is \$3,265,800.
- 6. Pursuant to 19a-639(a) of the Connecticut General Statues ("C.G.S.), as amended by Public Act: 09-232, Section 94(c), cineangiography imaging equipment no longer requires CON authorization from OHCA.
- 7. OHCA finds that the Hospital's proposal represents the acquisition and operation of cineangiography imaging equipment.

Based on these findings, OHCA determines that Certificate of Need approval is not required from OHCA for Hartford Hospital to proceed with its proposal to acquire and operate a bi-plane cineangiography system that will provide the Hospital a second neuro-interventional radiology suite in Hartford, Connecticut.

If you have any questions concerning this letter, please contact Jack A. Huber at (860) 418-7034.

Sincerely

Cristine A. Vogel Commissioner

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