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Re: Marshwood Center Certificate of Need Application

Dear Larry,

On behalf of Lewiston Operations LLC, we would like to request a suspension of the review process for a period of 60 days.

We have reviewed the Preliminary Analysis dated October 5, 2009 which recommended "disapproval" of the Certificate of Need application dated June 27, 2009. We will need this additional time to appropriately respond and address concerns raised in the Preliminary Analysis.

We appreciate your consideration of our request to suspend the review process for a period of 60 days. Based on our telephone conversation on this date, October, 26, 2009, it is our understanding that we would need to submit all addition information by December 24, 2009.

Sincerely,

Michael Tyler
Vice President, Genesis Healthcare Corporation
On Behalf of Lewiston Operations, LLC

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