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Department of Human Services
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Division of Licensing and
Regulatory Services

RE: Maine Medical Center
Additional Linear Accelerator
Letter of Intent

Dear Ms. Powell:

Maine Medical Center (MMC) is submitting this letter of intent to request a ruling from the Department regarding the applicability of the Certificate of Need Program to MMC's proposed Additional Linear Accelerator project.

MMC proposes adding an additional linear accelerator to its regional Radiation Therapy Program to be located at its Scarborough campus. The capacity increase is due to increased treatment time required for Image Guided Radiation Therapy. The estimated capital expenditure associated with this project is five million two hundred sixty nine thousand dollars (\$5,269,000). **The preliminary estimated third year operating expenses are \$1,250,000. (Sept. 30, 2008 revision)**

MMC believes that this project is subject to review as described in the Maine Certificate of Need Act of 2002, 22 M.R.S.A. § 329. MMC intends to submit and certify as complete a certificate of need application for the proposed project in time for the January 2009 hospital large project review cycle.

MMC also seeks to arrange a Technical Assistance Meeting within the next 30 days of this Letter of Intent as required by the Maine Certificate of Need Act of 2002, 22 M.R.S.A. § 337. The purposes of the Technical Assistance Meeting with the Department staff are to assist the Department in understanding the application and to receive technical assistance concerning the nature, extent and format of the documentary evidence, statistical data and financial data required for the Department to evaluate the proposal.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions; I may be reached by telephone at 207-662-2451 or by email at linehr@mmc.org.

Sincerely,

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Director of Planning