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and
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Health Care Oversight
Division of Licensing and Regulatory Services
Department of Health and Human Services
41 Anthony Avenue
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Augusta, Maine 04333-0011

Re: Maine Medical Center
Retail Pharmacy Service
Not Subject to Review Determination Request

Dear Mr. Carbonneau and Mr. Lawrence:

Maine Medical Center is requesting that the Department make a determination that its proposed operation of a retail pharmacy as a department of the Hospital is not subject to Certificate of Need review and approval.

Maine Medical Center (MMC) is a 637-bed hospital licensed by the State of Maine, Department of Health and Human Services, certified for participation in the Medicare and Medicaid programs and accredited by the Joint Commission.

MMC provides pharmacy services as an ancillary service. The proposed retail pharmacy would be an extension of this current service that would be available within MMC's primary service area. Capital expenditures associated with the proposed retail pharmacy are less than \$10,561,095. There is no acquisition of major medical equipment associated with the proposed retail pharmacy.

MMC looks forward to the Department's determination that this activity does not constitute a "New Health Service" as defined the Maine Certificate of Need Act of 2002 and that the activity is not subject to Certificate of Need review and approval.

MMC would be happy to respond to any concern, issue or question of the Department as it considers this request.

All communications regarding this matter may be directed to:

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We look forward to hearing from you soon.

Sincerely,

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