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Phyllis Powell
Certificate of Need Unit, Department of Health and Human Services
State House Station # 11
Augusta, Maine 04333

RE: Infertility Service Extension

Dear Ms Powell,

The purpose of this letter is to request that the Certificate of Need Unit confirm that the extension of a current physician service is not subject to Certificate of Need review and approval. While it is our understanding that the Maine Certificate of Need Act of 2002, as defined in Title 24, section 2502, specifically excludes private health care practitioners whether in individual or group practice from requiring a certificate of need, Boston IVF is requesting confirmation that expansion of its infertility services is exempt and therefore not subject to review.

Boston IVF, a physician group practice, proposes to extend its current infertility services by providing oocyte retrieval and embryo transfer procedures in its Portland, Maine office. Currently Boston IVF provides all other infertility services associated with these procedures and patients must travel to our Waltham, Massachusetts office to complete treatment. In the interest of better quality of care for our patients we would like to extend this service in Portland to include retrieval and transfer. The estimated capital expenditure associated with this project is less than $300,000.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions, I can be reached directly at 781 434 6509 or at sharon.edwards@bostonivf.com.

Sincerely,

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