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Mr. Robert Cheren, Chairman
WV Health Care Authority
100 Dee Drive, Suite 201
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Dear Chairman Cheren:

On behalf of Charleston Area Medical Center, Inc. ("CAMC") this letter requests a determination that the addition of a second mobile unit to provide specialty physician services not be subject to certificate of need review. The capital expenditure associated with the project is $1,069,418.

CAMC has been selected by Ronald McDonald House Charities to partner with Ronald McDonald House of Southern West Virginia and operate one of their Ronald McDonald Care Mobile units. The Ronald McDonald Care Mobile unit is a fully-equipped medical clinic on wheels that delivers free or reimbursed care to underserved women of child-bearing age, pregnant women, postpartum mothers, and children up to age 18 in underserved areas. The Care Mobile unit eliminates many of the barriers that underserved families face in accessing healthcare services while raising awareness for healthy lifestyles and reducing reliance on emergency rooms for care. Ronald McDonald House Charities will cover the cost to construct and operate the unit. CAMC will provide the home base, driver and clinical staff for the unit. CAMC will provide the medical services provided on the unit.

By integrating preventive care, education, and care coordination into a flexible, community-based model, Care Mobile represents and effective and sustainable solution to addressing healthcare disparities in rural West Virginia. The program is uniquely positioned to expand access, improve health outcomes, and reduce inequities among some of the state's most vulnerable populations.

The Authority has previously ruled that per W. Va. Code §16-2D-8 that the addition of a second mobile unit was not subject to Certificate of Need review. On May 16, 2024, the Authority determined in Herbert J. Thomas Memorial Hospital Association d/b/a Thomas Hospitals and West Virginia University Hospitals, Inc. d/b/a West Virginia University Hospitals CON File #24-12-12954-X, that the addition of a second mobile mammography bus was not subject to Certificate of Need review.

Please contact me at (304) 388-7854 if you have any questions or require additional information.

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