

JOHN C. ORESTIS

P. O. BOX 777
LEWISTON, MAINE 04240

January, 4, 2008

Catherine Cobb
Director of Licensing and Certification
DHHS
State House Station 11
Augusta, ME 04333

Re: Purchase of Gardiner Health Care Facility

Dear Cathy,

This Letter of Intent is written pursuant to Section 71.05 of the regulations governing Certificate of Need for Nursing Facility Level of Care Projects.

I hereby request a ruling regarding the applicability of CON to the project.

The existing facility is located at 8 Holland St. Houlton, ME. and is currently licensed as a 10 bed RCF and 45 bed SNF/NF. The project consists of the purchase of the stock of Gardiner Health Care Facility, Inc. and the purchase of the membership interests of MAAKF, LLC which owns the building and equipment. This will effectively create transfer of ownership as contemplated in Section 71.03.

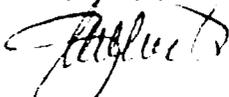
The price for these purchases totals 1.175 million dollars without any anticipated capital improvements to the property and without the costs of transaction normally associated with such a purchase. The purchasers will be John C. Orestis and Joseph Cuzzupoli.

The transaction will take place upon the obtaining of a CON if needed and the obtaining of HUD insured financing. Six to eight months is estimated for this to occur.

An application will be submitted within 30 days of determination of applicability.

I further herby request the scheduling of a technical assistance meeting.

Very truly yours



John C. Orestis