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VIA Email and First Class Mail

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**Re: CON Application of Central Maine Healthcare Corp. to Acquire
Control of Parkview Adventist Medical Center**

Dear Janine:

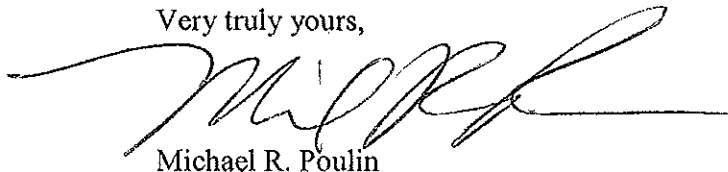
This is to notify the Department that Central Maine Healthcare Corp. is withdrawing its application for a CON to acquire control of Parkview.

On August 9, Ken Albert sent me the following email:

– I am today in receipt of a correspondence dated July 26, 2013, which responds to mine of July 17th. In the interim, believing that we were not going to receive a response, I wrote indicating that DLRS is renewing review of the pending CON application submitted by CMHC. *I appreciate your request to resolve the Department's concerns in a constructive manner, and I will reach out next week to make arrangements.*

Instead, in your letter emailed earlier today, you have now rescinded Ken's offer to try to work this out "in a constructive manner", and have indicated that the DLRS intends to unilaterally reactivate the CON application that is suspended. I have explained to my client that your actions in "revoking" the suspension of the CON review are plainly illegal and would be reversed on appeal. However, CMHC sees little point in spending time, resources, and legal fees to have this matter remanded back to that Division which is inexplicably but undeniably committed to denying this application. As discussed in previous correspondence, we can only guess at why the DLRS staff are openly hostile toward CMHC and PAMC and are determined to deny this application at all costs, including blatant disregard for the law. CMHC sees no point in continuing this fight under the current circumstances.

Very truly yours,



Michael R. Poulin

cc: Mary Mayhew
Ken Albert