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Alaska Regional Hospital
Attn: Annie Holt, CEO
2801 Debarr Road,
Anchorage, Alaska 99508

Dear Ms Holt:

The Department has completed the concurrent review and analysis of the certificate of need applications submitted by your organization for construction a 4-suite ambulatory surgery center with additional magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) services in Anchorage and the application submitted by Providence Surgery Centers to add 3 surgical suites (with no imaging services) to their existing facility doing business as Creekside Surgery Center in Anchorage.

This review was delayed as Providence Surgery Centers was involved in a case with the Department through the Alaska Supreme Court which was finally dismissed on 10/28/11. The outcome decision of the Supreme Court had a direct impact in determining the current surgical capacity of the Anchorage area.

It has been determined that the Alaska Regional Hospital Certificate of Need application has not met the provisions of AS 18.07.031 and 7 AAC 07.001-900 and is therefore denied. There is, based on the available data, excess surgery and MRI capacity in Anchorage.

Under 7 AAC 07.080, if you are dissatisfied with this decision you are entitled to a hearing if the request for a hearing is received in writing by the department no later than 30 days from the date of this letter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "William J. Streur".

William J. Streur
Commissioner

Encl: Staff review of CON application