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John F. Hatch, M.D.

Milford-Franklin Eye Center

75 Union Street

Franklin, MA 02038

Dear Dr. Hatch,

I am writing regarding your request for Commissioner review and determination as to whether a Transfer of Ownership application of Milford-Franklin Eye Center is necessary.

Per the determination of need regulations,105 CMR 100.000, the Commissioner or her designee may, based upon a review of the organizational structure and proposed change, determine that a proposed transaction does not rise to the level of a transfer of ownership.

Upon consultation with the Determination of Need Program and review of the facts, the Commissioner has determined, and has designated me to communicate, that a Transfer of Ownership application is not needed as there will be no new owners with a controlling interest once the ownership transfer occurs.

Please contact me at (508) 951-4981 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

[signature on file]

Dennis Renaud

Director, Determination of Need Program

Massachusetts Department of Public Health