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Via E-Mail - dph.don@state.ma.us

Massachusetts Department of Public Health
Determination of Need Program
250 Washington Street
Boston, MA 02108

Re: Shields Healthcare of Dartmouth, Inc. d/b/a Fall River-New Bedford Regional MRI Center Amendment to Notice of Determination of Need (Project #5-4887) - Application Submission No. FRNB-25011310-AM

Dear Sir or Madam:

Shields Healthcare of Dartmouth, Inc. d/b/a Fall River-New Bedford Regional MRI Center ("Applicant") hereby submits its application for an amendment to the Notice of Determination of Need issued by the Department of Public Health (Project #5-4887) under 105 CMR 100.000 *et seq* ("DoN"). The DoN provided the Applicant with a third magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) unit at St. Luke's Hospital located at 361 Allen Street, New Bedford, Massachusetts (a hospital facility of Southcoast Hospitals Group, Inc. ("SHG")). Applicant is a member of a joint venture providing MRI services at St. Luke's Hospital. The proposed amendment will release the Applicant and certain members of the joint venture from the DoN and acknowledge SHG as the holder of the DoN for the third MRI unit.

Enclosed, please find the Applicant's Application for an amendment to the DoN, together with all related exhibits and attachments.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions regarding this submission.

Very truly yours,



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Enclosures: DoN Application for amendment with supporting documentation