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VIA EMAIL & HAND DELIVERY

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Re:

Withdrawal of CON Application by UM Upper Chesapeake Health to Establish a

Special Psychiatric Hospital, UM Upper Chesapeake Medical Campus Behavioral

Health Pavilion

Docket No. 17-12-2403

Dear Ms. Potter:

On behalf of the University of Maryland Upper Chesapeake Health System ("UM UCH") and pursuant to COMAR § 10.24.01.16, I write to voluntarily withdraw, without prejudice, the currently pending Certificate of Need application to establish a special psychiatric hospital referred in the application as the University of Maryland Upper Chesapeake Medical Campus Behavioral Health Pavilion.

UM UCH intends to file a new application to establish a special psychiatric hospital to be located in Aberdeen on or around November 19, 2018.

If you have questions, please contact me at your convenience.

Sincerely,

Lyle I. Sheldon, FACHE

President and Chief Executive Officer

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