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(Docket No.)



## November 4, 2024

Howard Sollins 100 Light Street Baltimore, Maryland 21202

RE: SurgCenter at National Harbor, LLC

d/b/a Harborside Surgery Center to Establish an Ambulatory Surgery Facility

Prince George's County

certificate of need (CON) application.

Dear Mr. Sollins:

Your email of October 31, 2024, states that three current physicians with ownership in Harborside Surgery Center (Harborside) will be selling their shares back to the majority owner, M2 Orthopedic Partners Holdings, LLC, (M2O), resulting in an increase in the share owned by M2O from 51.00 percent to 60.27percent. Only one of these three physicians, Dr. Andrew Wolff, is projected to have any future surgical volume at Harborside. You also state that four new physicians, John Huffman, M.D., Talal Ghazal, M.D., Adam Pickett, M.D., and Mihir Sheth, M.D. will be added to the existing list of providers at Harborside. Staff has determined

that updated information will be needed to accurately reflect this change in the existing, open

As a result, the following tables will need to be updated:

- 1. The list of owners and their percentage ownership from page 21 of the application.
- 2. Table 6 with the operating room capacity and needs assessment from page 40.
- 3. Table 7 on the project only operating room capacity and needs assessment from page 42.
- 4. Table 10 on the projected cases shift from other facilities from page 45.
- 5. An update of the projected cases and volume by physician. This includes Tables 11, 12, and 13 from pages 52 through 54.
- 6. Table 14 must be amended to include the projected volumes for the four new staff members for the years 2025, 2026 and 2027. This existing information is on pages 55 and 56 of the application.

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- 7. Likewise, Table 15 should be amended to include the projected volumes for the four new staff members for the years 2025, 2026 and 2027. This existing information is on page 57 of the application.
- 8. Based on the updated volumes, the CON table set must be updated. This includes revised Tables 1 and 2, on the statistical projections for the entire facility and the proposed project need to be updated.
- 9. This also includes Tables 3 and 4, the revenue and expense tables, for the entire facility and the proposed project, and an updated Table L, the staffing table.
- 10. An update of the projected payer list with which Harborside will participate.
- 11. Since Harborside does not participate in Medicaid, if a patient qualifies for Medicaid, will they be provided with charity care? Or will they need to seek a provider that does participate with Medicaid? Please provide more details regarding these potential patients.

This CON is currently scheduled to appear at the November 21 Commission meeting. Every effort will be made to include this late update of information into account and maintain this schedule. The sooner this completed information is submitted the more likely this option will be. The above information is required for the Commission to make an informed decision based on all the relevant facts.

Should you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact me at (410) 764-3324.

Sincerely,

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