RE: Request for Certificate of Need.

From: City of Somerset and Pulaski County Fiscal Court.

This letter is to serve as an official request for nonsubstantive review { 900 KAR 6:050 Section 8 (subsection 2) } for a certificate of need to be awarded jointly to Pulaski County Fiscal Court and the City of Somerset for a hospital in Pulaski County, KY.

Pulaski County has only one existing hospital which is For-Profit and has a monopoly within the County. Pulaski County is in need of a Second Non-Profit Hospital to produce competition which will lower health care prices and promote health care quality.

The requested certificate of need is for a 150 bed acute care hospital with the following services: inpatient and outpatient surgical services; diagnostic and therapeutic cardiac catheterization; open heart surgery; megavoltage radiation services; magnetic resonance imaging services; PET scanning services; Level II neonatal services; and such other customary hospital services for which there are no review criteria in the State Health Plan.

Thank you for this consideration,

Mayor JP Wiles

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Judge Executive Pulaski County Fiscal Court.