July 8, 2019

Nancy Tyson, Executive Director
Health Facilities and Certificate of Need
Department of Health
111 Israel Rd. S.E.
Tumwater, WA 98501

Dear Ms. Tyson:

Grant County Public Hospital District No. 1, dba Samaritan Healthcare (Samaritan) submits this letter of intent to replace its current hospital.¹

A. **Description of the Services Proposed.** Samaritan is licensed for 50 beds and is located in Moses Lake. Samaritan proposes to replace the current hospital at a new location, also in Moses Lake. There is no proposed increase in licensed beds, and no new tertiary services proposed, though Samaritan proposes to convert five of its existing licensed beds to swing beds. At project completion, the current hospital building will no longer provide any licensed hospital services.

B. **Estimated Cost of the Proposed Acquisition.** The capital expenditure is estimated at $148,000,000.

C. **Description of Service Area.** Samaritan’s District boundaries include a number of communities located within Grant County. As such, and consistent with the Department’s acute care hospital bed need methodology, the planning area for this project is Grant County.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me directly.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Theresa Sullivan, MBA, FACHE
CEO

¹ Samaritan has had several conversations with the Department about the reviewability of replacement hospitals. We anticipate that the Department will ultimately concur that this project does not require prior CN review and approval. However, Samaritan is submitting this letter of intent to assure that the proposed replacement project is not unnecessarily delayed.

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