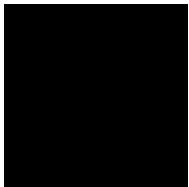


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May 7, 2012

Peter J. Brann
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Re: *Proposed Acquisition by MaineHealth of Maine Cardiology Associates and Cardiovascular Consultants of Maine, P.A., FTC File No. 101 0010*

Dear Mr. Brann:

The Commission has conducted an investigation to determine whether the proposed acquisition by MaineHealth of Maine Cardiology Associates and Cardiovascular Consultants of Maine, P.A. may violate Section 7 of the Clayton Act or Section 5 of the Federal Trade

to be construed as a determination that a violation may not have occurred, just as the pendency of an investigation should not be construed as a determination that a violation has occurred.

Although the Commission has determined not to take action in this matter, the Commission will continue to monitor the cardiology marketplace in Portland to ensure a competitive environment and to protect the interests of consumers.

By direction of the Commission.

Donald S. Clark
Secretary

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