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Via Facsimile

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Federal Trade Commission
Premerger Notification Office Bureau of Competition - Room 303
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Dear Mr. Smith:

I am writing to seek confirmation of the advice you provided in our telephone conversation of June 8, 1999, that the transaction described below is

promulgated thereunder (the <u>"Rules"</u>) under Section 802.2(c) of the Rules which relates to acquisitions of "unproductive real property"

Buyer, a hospital corporation, proposes to acquire a building (the "Building") from Seller, another hospital. Prior to closing, Seller, whose medical specialty is totally distinct from that of Buyer, will close down all of its operations at

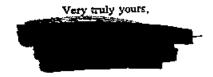
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equipment) will remain in the Building after the closing.

I would be pleased to answer any questions you might have regarding this transaction or to discuss the matter further. Thank you in advance for your attention to this request.



cc: Andrew Walter