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Mr. Mark Caputo Chief Executive Officer Liberty Dialysis – Alaska LLC 7650 SE 27th Street; Suite 200 Mercer Island, WA 98040

Dear Mr. Caputo:

This letter is to advise you that today I have declared Fresenius Medical Care's certificate of need application for a 7-station dialysis facility in Soldotna, Alaska complete. Therefore in accordance with 7 AAC 07.042(2)(B) Liberty Dialysis – Alaska LLC must now submit a full certificate of need application no later than 4:30 PM, Monday, October 1, 2007.

A public notice will be issued under 7 AAC 07.052 when the Liberty Dialysis – Alaska LLC certificate of need application is declared complete and the Department will then begin a concurrent review of both applications. The notice will also set a date for a public hearing regarding both applications and will announce the closing date for public comment. The staff review and recommendations must be submitted to the Commissioner within 60 days of the announcement of the beginning of the concurrent review and the Commissioner will have an additional 45 days to make a decision.

If you have any questions, please contact David Pierce, Certificate of Need Coordinator, at david_pierce@health.state.ak.us or (907) 465-3001.

Sincerely.

Karleen K. Jackson, Ph.D.

Commissioner

cc: Jean Stevens, Regional Vice-President Fresenius Medical Care

David Pierce, Certificate of Need Coordinator