BEFORE THE STATE OF ALASKA OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS ON REFERRAL BY THE COMMISSIONER OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES

In the Matter of)	
Imaging Associates of Providence)	
)	OAH Nos. 06-0743-DHS
)	& 06-0764-DHS

NOTICE OF ASSIGNMENT AND ORDER CONSOLIDATING CASES

On November 15, 2006, the Department of Health and Social Services referred to the Office of Administrative Hearings (OAH) the appeal by Imaging Associates of Providence (IAP) concerning the department's conclusion that IAP's Abbott Road facility requires a certificate of need. Administrative Law Judge Terry L. Thurbon of OAH's Juneau office, who is hearing the appeal concerning IAP's Mat-Su Valley facility, is hereby assigned to this matter. The procedures in AS 44.62.330 – AS 44.62.630, AS 44.64.030 – AS 44.64.200, 2 AAC 64.100 – 2 AAC 64.990 and 7 AAC 07.080 apply to the hearing of this matter.

By stipulation of the parties and pursuant to 2 AAC 64.190(a), the two IAP appeals are hereby consolidated. Documents filed by a party in this matter should refer to the consolidated cases using OAH No. 06-0743-DHS alone or using both case numbers, but the parties should not file duplicate documents under the separate case numbers. The existing file and the new referral file will be integrated into a single file and maintained under the 06-0743-DHS number. Filings should be directed to Administrative Law Judge Thurbon's attention at the following address:

Office of Administrative Hearings P.O. Box 110231 Juneau, Alaska 99811-0231

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DATED this 16th day of November, 2006.

By:

Terry L. Thurbon

Chief Administrative Law Judge

The undersigned certifies that on November 7, 2006, this document was distributed to the following: Peter Gruenstein, counsel for Imaging Associates of Providence; Stacie Kraly, Assistant Attorney General. Courtesy copies of this document also were distributed to Michael Spaan, counsel for Mat-Su Regional Medical Center, amicus in OAH 06-0743-DHS, and to Elmer Lindstrom, Office of the Commissioner.

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