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SUBJECT: NRC CONSENT TO LICENSE TRANSFER, NRC LICENSE NO. 21-18525-01

Dear Dr. Lyle:

By letters dated August 28, 2018, September 20, 2018, and October 26, 2018, Portage Health (Licensee) submitted to the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) a Request for Consent to License Transfer of NRC Materials License No. 21-18525-01. Based on the information provided, we understand that as a result of a planned merger transaction between LifePoint Health, Inc. (and its subsidiaries including the Licensee) and RegionalCare Hospital Partners Holdings, Inc. d/b/a RCCH Healthcare Partners (RCCH), control will be transferred to RCCH. We further understand that this transfer will not result in any change to the licensed materials, persons using the licensed material, locations of use of licensed material, or persons responsible for the licensee's radiation safety program as authorized on License No. 21-18525-01.

Based on the above understandings and as more fully detailed in the enclosed NRC staff's Safety Evaluation Report which documents the NRC staff's review of the request, we have no objection to the proposed transfer. Please note that you will need to notify us promptly, in writing, after the transaction has been finalized and include a signed copy of the agreement confirming completion of the transaction. With this information, we can issue an administrative amendment to your NRC license to reflect the transaction. If this planned sale has not been consummated within 30 days of the date of this letter, please notify us in writing. Please contact me at (630) 829-9875, or by e-mail at Magdalena.Gryglak@nrc.gov if you have any questions regarding this letter.

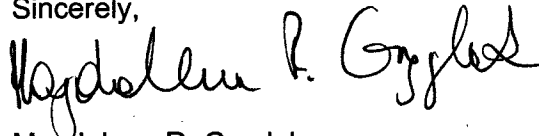
The NRC's Safety Culture Policy Statement became effective in June 2011. While a policy statement and not a regulation, it sets forth the agency's *expectations* for individuals and organizations to establish and maintain a positive safety culture. You can access the policy statement and supporting material that may benefit your organization on NRC's safety culture Web site at <http://www.nrc.gov/about-nrc/regulatory/enforcement/safety-culture.html>. We strongly encourage you to review this material and adapt it to your particular needs in order to develop and maintain a positive safety culture as you engage in NRC-regulated activities.

P. Lyle

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In accordance with Title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* (CFR) Section 2.390, a copy of this letter and its enclosure will be available electronically for public inspection in the NRC Public Document Room or from ADAMS, accessible from the NRC Web site at <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html>.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Magdalena R. Gryglak". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'M' and 'G'.

Magdalena R. Gryglak
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Materials Licensing Branch

License No. 21-18525-01
Docket No. 030-13827

Enclosure: NRC Safety Evaluation Report (SER) concerning request for consent to
Transfer of Control