CERTIFICATION OF ADMINISTRATIVE RULES FILED WITH THE LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE SERVICE JERRY L. BASSET, DIRECTOR

(Pursuant to Code of Alabama 1975, § 41-22-6, as amended).

I certify that the attached is/are a correct copy/copies of rule/s as promulgated and adopted on the 20th day of June, 2012, and filed with the agency secretary on the 25th day of June, 2012.

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AGENCY NAME: State Health Planning and Development Agency (Certificate of Need Review Board)
X Amendment; New; Repeal; (Mark appropriate space)
Rule No. 410-1-704(5)
(If amended rule, give specific paragraph, subparagraphs, etc., being amended)
Rule Title: Notice of Change of Ownership
ACTION TAKEN: State whether the rule was adopted with changes from the proposal due to written or oral comments;
The rule was adopted with changes from oral comments as discussed at the June 20, 2012, Public Hearing.
NOTICE OF INTENDED ACTION PUBLISHED IN VOLUME XXX
ISSUE NO. <u>7, DATED April 30, 2012</u> .
Statutory Rulemaking Authority: Code of Alabama, 1975 §§ 22-21-263 and -275.
(Date Filed) (For LRS Use Only)

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Alva M. Lambert, Executive Director State Health Planning and Development Agency (Certifying Officer or his or her Deputy)

(NOTE: In accordance with § 41-22-6(b), as amended, a proposed rule is required to be certified within 90 days after completion of the notice.)

410-1-7-.04 Notice of Change of Ownership

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- (1) Any change in ownership of an existing health care facility, other than a stock purchase only, shall require that a notice of change in ownership be provided to the State Agency by the acquiring entity at least thirty (30) days before the transaction occurs.
- (2) The notice of change of ownership shall be delivered in writing to the Executive Director of the State Agency, accompanied by a reviewability determination fee of \$2,000.00 before the transaction occurs. If there will be no change in service, conversion of beds, or increase in bed capacity, the Executive Director may determine that a Certificate of Need is not required.
- (3) The notice shall include:
 - (a) the financial scope of the project to include the preliminary estimate of the costs broken down by equipment, construction, and yearly operating cost;
 - (b) the services to be offered by the proposal (the applicant will state whether he has previously offered the service and whether the service is an extension of a presently offered service, or whether the service is a new service);
 - (c) whether the proposal will include the addition of any new beds;
 - (d) whether the proposal will involve the conversion of beds;
 - (e) whether the assets and stock (if any) will be acquired; and
 - (f) any other information that the Executive Director shall deem necessary to insure a full understanding by the State Agency.
- (4) Any Request made pursuant to this rule shall be subject to the publication requirements of 410-1-7-.02, provided, however, the Executive Director may provide a determination or other response without regard to the time periods set forth in 410-1-7-.02.
- (5) Any Request that conveys ownership through a lease must involve a lease of be for substantially all assets of the health care facility and the lease must be for a minimum term of a two (2) years term. A copy of the lease must accompany the request. The two (2) year requirement may be waived by the CON Board upon evidence of the need of a temporary change of ownership to protect the health and safety of patients.

Statutory Authority: § 22-21-275, Code of Alabama, 1975.

History: Amended: Filed June 25, 2012; effective July 30, 2012.