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February 28, 2011

<u>VIA E-MAIL</u> VIA FEDERAL EXPRESS

James E. Sanders Deputy Director State Health Planning and Development Agency 100 North Union Street, Suite 870 Montgomery, AL 36104

Re: AL2009-050, CON 2304-ESRD Renal Treatment Centers – Southeast, LP d/b/a Steel City Dialysis Request for Project Modification

Dear Mr. Sanders:

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This letter is in follow up to our conversation on Thursday, February 17, 2011, in which you confirmed that a Request for Project Modification is the appropriate procedure for requesting an amended Certificate of Need ("CON") where there has been a change in a facility's legal entity name since issuance of the CON. You explained that a Request for Project Modification can be filed, instead of a Request for Change in Ownership, where the facility is still in development, not yet licensed and certified, and the parent company will be the same.

This Request for Project Modification is in regards to CON 2304-ESRD issued to Renal Treatment Centers – Southeast, LP d/b/a Steel City Dialysis on November 5, 2009. Since issuance of the CON, we have discovered that the facility's legal entity name has changed from "Renal Treatment Centers – Southeast, LP" to "Flor Dialysis, LLC."

Enclosed are the revised pages to the original CON Application filed by <u>Renal Treatment Centers</u> – <u>Southeast, LP</u> d/b/a Steel City Dialysis reflecting the new legal entity name, Flor Dialysis, LLC. Pursuant to CON Rule 410-1-10-.03, we request that Project AL2009-050 and CON 2304-ESRD be modified to reflect the name change to, <u>Flor Dialysis, LLC</u> d/b/a Steel City Dialysis.

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As always, we appreciate your assistance and look forward to receiving a new CON for the establishment and operation of Steel City Dialysis reflecting this name change. If you have any questions, please give me a call immediately.

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Very truly yours,

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c: Jacki Ward

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ALABAMA CERTIFICATE OF NEED APPLICATION

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INSTRUCTIONS:	Please submit an original	and twelve (12) copies	Project #	
	of this form and the appro the State of Alabama, Stat Development Agency, 10 Suite 870, Montgomery, 4 (Post Office Box 303025)	e Health Planning and 0 North Union Street, Alabama 36130-3025.	Date Rec Rec by:	
	Attached is a check in the Refer to Rule 410-1-7-06 to determine the required	of the Certificate of Need P	rogram Rules and Regulations	
PART ONE: APP	LICANT IDENTIFICATIO	N AND PROJECT DESC	RIPTION	
	DENTIFICATION (Check ((Specify) End Stage Renal D		NURSING HOME ()	
A. Flor Dialysis, LLC	C d/b/a Steel City Dialysis (in whose name the CON will	be issued if approved)		
<u>3500 Colonnade Parky</u> Address	vay, Suite 525	Birmingham City	Jefferson County	
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	35243		(205)-807-9602 Phone Number	
State	Zip Coo		Filone Number	
Address		City	County	
State	te Zip Code		Phone Number	
C Name of Legal Own	er (if different from A or B)			
Address		City	County	
State	Zip Co	de	Phone Number	
D. <u>Lenora W. Pate ((</u> Name and Title of P	Counsel for Applicant) erson Representing Proposal a	nd with whom SHPDA sho	uld communicate	
	C., 2311 Highland Ave. S.	Birmingham	Jefferson	
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APPLICANT IDENTIFICATION (continued)

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E. Type Ownership and Governing Body

1. 2. 3.	Individual Partnership Corporate (for profit)	() () () DaVita, Inc. Name of Parent Corporation
4.	Corporate (non-profit)	Name of Parent Corporation
5. 6.	Public Other (specify)	

F. Names and Titles of Governing Body Members and Owners of This Facility

OWNERS

Flor Dialysis, LLC d/b/a Steel City Dialysis, a subsidiary of DaVita, Inc.

GOVERNING BOARD MEMBERS OF RENAL TREATMENT CENTERS, INC. (General Partner of Applicant, a wholly owned subsidiary of Renal Treatment Centers – Southeast, LP): Kent J. Thiry: Javier Rodriguez; H.W. Guy Seay; Corinna B. Polk; Thomas O. Usilton; David T. Shapiro; Chetan P. Mehta; Steven I. Grieger; Dennis Kogod; James Hilger; and Richard K. Whitney.

GOVERNING AUTHORITY OF STEEL CITY DIALYSIS (as required by the Alabama State Board of Health, Alabama Department of Public Health): Michael Allon, M.D. Jacki Ward, and Jane Miller, R.N.

II. PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Project/Application Type (check all that apply)

<u> </u>	New Facility Type_ESRD facility	- <u></u>	Major Medical Equipment Type
	New Service Type	_ 	Termination of Service or Facility
	Construction/Expansion/Renovation		Other Capital Expenditure
	Change in Service		

III. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY OF THE PROJECT (brief description)

To address the demonstrated, substantial unmet need for dialysis services in Jefferson County in accordance with the State Health Plan, Flor Dialysis, LLC d/b/a Steel City Dialysis ("Steel City Dialysis" or "Applicant"), a subsidiary of DaVita, Inc. ("DaVita"), proposes to establish and operate a new state-of-the-art end stage renal disease ("ESRD") facility consisting of seven (7) hemodialysis stations and one (1) hemodialysis isolation station in southwestern Jefferson County in close proximity to DaVita-owned Ensley Dialysis located at 2630 Avenue E, Ensley, Alabama (the "Project").¹ If approved, this proposed Project will address the capacity issues at the Ensley Dialysis facility and provide its patients with scheduling and location options, thus, providing meaningful patient choice and quality of life.

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¹ This Certificate of Need Application relates to the Letter of Intent 2009-31 filed on April 24, 2009, in which Steel City Dialysis set forth its intent to file a Certificate of Need Application for the establishment and operations of a new ESRD facility.

I. CERTIFICATION

The information contained in this application is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

FLOR DIALYSIS, LLC D/B/A STEEL CITY DIALYSIS ("APPLICANT")

By: Renal Treatment Centers, Inc. Its: General Partner

By: Jacki L. Ward

Its: Regional Operations Director

DAVITA, INC.

("PARENT COMPANY By: Jacki L. Ward Its: Regional Operations Director

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Notary Public (Affix seal on Original)

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Statutory Authority: § 22-21-267, 271, 275, Code of Alabama, 1975

History: Amended March 19, 1996 and July 25, 2002