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Transmitted via email

September 5, 2025

Ms. Emily Blomberg President, Regions Hospital 640 Jackson Street St. Paul, MN 55101

Dear Ms. Blomberg,

Thank you for submitting a public interest review application on August 1, 2025, for a proposal to expand Regions Hospital's licensed capacity by 85 beds. After reviewing the proposal, the Minnesota Department of Health (MDH) has determined that additional information is needed to appropriately evaluate the relevant factors outlined in Minnesota Statutes, section 144.552 paragraph (c), as well as other pertinent considerations.

The requested additional information is described in the attached enclosure. Please note that once MDH receives the requested material, the review may take up to 150 days, after which a Notice of Complete Application is issued. During this time, we will also publish a notice in the Minnesota State Register, reach out to affected parties, and request public comments.

In accordance with statute, a response to the request for additional information is required within 14 days of the receipt of this letter (by **September 19, 2025**). As with all public interest review materials, this letter and related correspondence will be posted on the MDH website at https://www.health.state.mn.us/data/economics/moratorium/index.html.

If you have any questions about this request, please contact Michelle Wilson at 651-201-3808 or michelle.wilson@state.mn.us.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure: Request for Additional Public Interest Review Information from Regions Hospital c.c.: Diane Rydrych, Maria King, James M. McClean