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Eric Hernandez, Acting Executive Director Washington State Department of Health Certificate of Need Program 111 Israel Rd. S.E. Tumwater, WA 98501

Re: Letter of Intent for relocation of Level II Neonate Intermediate Care Nursery from MultiCare Auburn Medical Center to MultiCare Covington Medical Center

Dear Mr. Hernandez:

In accordance with WAC 246-310-080, MultiCare Health System ("MultiCare") dba MultiCare Auburn Medical Center ("AMC") and MultiCare Covington Medical Center ("CMC") submits this Letter of Intent ("LOI") to relocate the existing, certificate of need ("CN") approved 6-bed Level II Intermediate Care Nursery (the "ICN") from the AMC hospital campus and license to the CMC hospital campus and license. Both hospitals are located in the Southeast King Planning Area.

1. Description of proposed service

Relocate the existing, CN-approved 6-bed Level II Intermediate Care Nursery from AMC to CMC. Upon project completion, the 6-bed Level II ICN would operate at the CMC's hospital campus and under CMC's hospital license.

2. Estimated cost of the project

The estimated capital cost of the project is \$2,854,386.

3. Identification of the service area

The service area is the Southeast King Secondary Hospital Planning Area.

Please submit any notices, correspondence, communications and documents to:

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Thank you for your support. Please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

K. Erin Kobberstad, Vice President, Strategic Planning

MultiCare Health System