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Honourable Deb Matthews,
Minister of Health and Long-Term Care
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Dear Minister,

Thank you for your letter dated January 23, 2012 in response to our Business Case regarding Non-Urgent Patient Transfers. I look forward to the review by your ministry staff and anticipate your approval of our business case once it has been evaluated.

Within your letter you encourage us to share our Business Case with our local LHIN. We have actually involved the North East LHIN from the start of our discussion on this topic as one of the valued stakeholders that we felt should be involved with our planning. You will note accompanying our original submission was a letter of support from our local LHIN. I have attached it to this letter for your review. The letter from the North East LHIN begins with a statement of support for our business case. The letter further goes on to detail that, *"The NE LHIN supports your recommendation to establish a separate level of non-urgent transportation within the current EMS structure."*

Additionally, in our original submission, you will note letters of support from Manitoulin Health Centre, Espanola General Hospital, Chapleau Health Services, and Health Sciences North (former Sudbury Regional Hospital).

Again, thank you for your response and comments on our submission. I look forward to your response on our business case in the near future.

Yours Truly,

Les Gamble
DSB Chair

cc: Louise Paquette, CEO, North East LHIN

August 31st, 2011

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Sent via e-mail

Dear Fern:

Re: Business Case to MOHLTC re Non-Urgent Patient Transfers

The North East Local Health Integration Network (NE LHIN) supports your business case which provides a detailed analysis on the issue of non-urgent patient transfers. The NE LHIN appreciates your leadership role in finding solutions for this serious issue and ensuring the inclusion of partners in the Sudbury Manitoulin area.

The focus of the business case is to provide a recommendation drawing on the real issues in the North and the current administrative capacity of the Manitoulin-Sudbury District Services Board to oversee a local solution, if dedicated resources are allocated by the province. The NE LHIN supports your recommendation to establish a separate level of non-urgent transportation within the current EMS structure.

Should you have further questions, please feel free to contact at Sherry.Frizzell@lhins.on.ca or 705-673-4873.

Sincerely,

Original Signed

Louise Paquette
Chief Executive Officer

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