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## VIA EMAIL (rami@hrrpacs.com)

Rami Jaloudi Owner/Administrator Hudson River Radiology 550 Newark Avenue Jersey City, NJ 07306

RE: Cease and Desist Order

Facility # NJ22912 Control # X21009

Dear Mr. Jaloudi:

This letter will confirm the March 2, 2021 conversation and email to Ayeska Morales, Manager, and the March 3, 2021 conference call with you and staff from the Department of Health, Survey, and Office of Program Compliance ("the Department"). The Department informed you and Ms. Morales that, effective immediately, Hudson River Radiology (NJ22912)(Facility) shall cease and desist all radiology services, including computed tomography (CT) and magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) scans due to the Facility's license expiring on December 31, 2020, and the facility's failure to have an Infection Control Plan, governing body, organizational chart, Bylaws or other policies and procedures.

The Department of Health Survey conducted a Complaint Survey investigation on March 2, 2021. Survey found, *inter alia*, the following violations:

- 1. Facility license expired December 31, 2020;
- 2. The Facility has no Governing Body;
- 3. The Facility has no policies and procedures;
- 4. The Facility has no Infection Control Plan;
- The Facility has no organizational chart;
- The Facility has no Bylaws:

Additionally, the Facility failed to comply with the Federal requirements related to implementing proper infection prevention and control practices to prevent the development and transmission of COVID-19, along with other regulatory requirements to maintain compliance. Therefore, Hudson River Radiology (NJ22912) is barred from providing any radiology services.

Be advised that in accordance with <u>N.J.A.C.</u> 8:43E-3.4(a)1, that Hudson River Radiology is subject to fines up to \$1,000.00 per day for operation of the Facility in violation of this order, as well as possible further enforcement action pursuant to law and regulation.

This order to cease and desist shall constitute a Final Agency Decision. As such, pursuant to New Jersey Court Rules 2:2-3 and 2:4-1, you may appeal from this Final Agency Decision within 45 days to the following authority:

New Jersey Superior Court-Appellate Division Richard J. Hughes Justice Complex P.O. Box 006 Trenton, New Jersey 08625-0006

Failure to do so shall constitute a waiver of the right to a hearing. Corporations are not permitted to represent themselves in the Office of Administrative Law Proceedings. Therefore, representation by legal counsel is required if Hudson River Radiology is a corporation.

For questions related to this matter, you may contact me at (609) 376-7890.

Sincerely,

Lisa King, Regulatory Officer Office of Program Compliance Division of Certificate of Need &

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