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U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
Region II  
Division of Nuclear Materials Safety  
61 Forsyth St., S.W. Suite 23T85  
Atlanta, GA 30303  
Attn: Richard Gibson

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Re: Clinch Valley Medical Center  
Richlands, Virginia  
License No. 45-19406-01

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Dear Mr. Gibson:

In March, 2006, your office was advised of the proposed acquisition of all of the stock of Galen-Med, Inc., the owner and operator of Clinch Valley Medical Center (the "Hospital") by LifePoint VA Holdings, Inc., an affiliate of LifePoint Hospitals, Inc., a publicly traded corporation.

That transaction was delayed, but is now expected to take place on or about July 1, 2006. Following this transfer of stock, Galen-Med, Inc. will continue to own and operate the Hospital. The name of the Hospital will not change and the tax identification number, 54-1058953, will not change. Therefore, this transaction should not constitute a change in ownership of the Hospital.

I will again notify your office when the transaction is completed. I can be reached at (615) 565-1538 or faye.edwards@lpnt.net if you have any questions or need any further information in this matter.

Yours truly,



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