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VIA ELECTRONIC FILING AND FED EX

Lester A. Heltzer Executive Secretary National Labor Relations Board 1099 14th Street N.W. Washington, D.C. 20570-0001

Re: Kindred Nursing Centers East, LLC

Case 11-CA-066552

Dear Mr. Heltzer:

This firm represents Kindred Nursing Centers East, LLC d/b/a Kindred Healthcare at Raleigh Rehabilitation and Healthcare ("Company"). On June 28, 2012, the Company was served with Counsel for the Acting General Counsel's "Request for Special Permission to Appeal and Appeal from the Administrative Law Judge's Approval of a Settlement Agreement" in the above-captioned matter.

Please be advised that the Company intends to file an Opposition to this Request and Appeal by Friday, July 20, 2012. The Company's Opposition will establish that the Request and Appeal should be denied as the Administrative Law Judge properly exercised his authority in approving the settlement agreement at issue. It is respectfully requested that the Board refrains from ruling on the Request and Appeal until the Company's Opposition is received and reviewed.

Thank you for your anticipated cooperation.

Respectfully submitted

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