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March 10, 2004

Mr. Jeff Trandahl
Clerk
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US House of Representatives
Legislative Resource Center
B-106 Cannon Building
Washington, DC 20515

Re: Riverside Medical Center – ID: 33256091

Dear Mr. Trandahl:

Enclosed is the lobbying report, which we did not submit applicable to the first six n period for the year 2003. During the period of time when this report was prepared, my assis Karen Siders, had surgery and missed three weeks of work. This occurred during our busies season of the year and this resulted in an inadvertent error in our not preparing the Riverside lobbying report. It is our intention to comply fully with the lobbying reporting requirements.

Should you require any additional explanation please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,

BAKER HEALTHCARE CONSULTING, INC



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Re: RIVERSIDE MEDICAL CENTER - ID: 33256091

FIRST NOTICE OF NON-RECEIPT

The Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995, 2 USC 1601-1612, empowers the Clerk of the House of Representatives to verify and inquire to ensure the timeliness of registrations and reports.

A review of Reports on file with the Legislative Resource Center indicates that you neither terminated your registration nor submitted a report for the period January 1, 2003 to 30, 2003, which was due by August 14, 2003.

Please provide us (within 30 days) with an appropriate filing and written explanation any delinquency.

For further information, please contact the Legislative Resource Center, B106 Cannon House Office Building, Washington, DC, (202) 226-5200.

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LOBBYING REPORT

Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995 (Section 5) - All Filers Are Required To Complete This Page

1. Registrant Name <i>BAKER Healthcare Consulting Inc.</i>			
2. Address <input type="checkbox"/> Check if different than previously reported <i>One American Square, Suite 2000</i>			
3. Principal Place of Business (if different from line 2) City: <i>Indianapolis</i> State/Zip (or Country) <i>IN 46282</i>			
4. Contact Name <i>Dale E. Baker</i>	Telephone <i>317-631-3613</i>	E-mail (optional) <i>bakerhealthcare@yahoo.com</i>	5. Senate ID # <i>5164</i>
7. Client Name <input type="checkbox"/> Self <i>Riverside Medical Center</i>	6. House ID # <i>3356</i>		

TYPE OF REPORT 8. Year 2003 Midyear (January 1-June 30) OR Year End (July 1-December 31)

9. Check if this filing amends a previously filed version of this report

10. Check if this is a Termination Report ⇒ Termination Date _____

11. No Lobbying

INCOME OR EXPENSES - Complete Either Line 12 OR Line 13

<p>12. Lobbying Firms</p> <p>INCOME relating to lobbying activities for this reporting period was:</p> <p>Less than \$10,000 <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>\$10,000 or more <input type="checkbox"/> ⇒ \$ _____ Income (nearest \$20,000)</p> <p>Provide a good faith estimate, rounded to the nearest \$20,000, of all lobbying related income from the client (including all payments to the registrant by any other entity for lobbying activities on behalf of the client).</p>	<p>13. Organizations</p> <p>EXPENSES relating to lobbying activities for this reporting period were:</p> <p>Less than \$10,000 <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>\$10,000 or more <input type="checkbox"/> ⇒ \$ _____ Expenses (nearest \$)</p> <p>14. REPORTING METHOD. Check box to indicate accounting method. See instructions for description of</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Method A. Reporting amounts using LDA definition</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Method B. Reporting amounts under section 6033 Internal Revenue Code</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Method C. Reporting amounts under section 162(c) Internal Revenue Code</p>
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Signature Walter C. Baker

Printed Name and Title Dale E. Baker, President

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Registrant Name Baker Healthcare Consulting Client Name Riverside Medical Cent

LOBBYING ACTIVITY. Select as many codes as necessary to reflect the general issue areas in which the engaged in lobbying on behalf of the client during the reporting period. Using a separate page for each cod information as requested. Attach additional page(s) as needed.

15. General issue area code MMM (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues

See Attached

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies contacted

Check if None

Senate
House of Representatives

18. Name of each individual who acted as a lobbyist in this issue area

Name	Covered Official Position (if applicable)
<u>Dale E. Baker</u>	
<u>John C. Reader</u>	

19. Interest of each foreign entity in the specific issues listed on line 16 above

Check if None

D. E. Baker

to be held

Signature _____ Date 9/4/07

Printed Name and Title Dale E. Baker, President

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COUNTYWIDE RECLASSIFICATION EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

In 1989 Congress established the Medicare Geographic Classification Review Board specifically instructed the Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) to provide for countywide reclassifications. CMS promulgated regulations limiting counties eligible for these reclassifications to a county included in a P1 that is a part of a CMSA (a short list of counties adjacent to large urban areas such as Chicago, New York City and Los Angeles. Accordingly, CMS established criteria to demonstrate that countywide costs are "comparable" to the area to which the county seeks redesignation. CMS chose to develop formulas comparing countywide costs per discharge to the Prospective Payment System (PPS) rates that hospitals were paid in both the home geographic area and secondly, rate they would be paid if the hospitals were reclassified. If the countywide cost per case exceeded the base rate plus 75% of the difference between the base rate and the reclassified rate then the county hospitals met this criteria for reclassification. CMS used rates as a proxy costs.

In FFY 1995 twenty-three counties were granted countywide reclassifications. Starting in 1996, the number of countywide reclassifications began to plummet because the relationship of costs to rates has changed over time. The site of care has shifted to outpatient for many services and hospitals have greatly expanded the outpatient units. Also, many hospitals have opened post acute care units (SNF, psych, rehab, home health) and now allocate fixed overhead costs to these newer units instead of the fixed costs being fully absorbed by the inpatient PPS unit. The result of this is that counties are denied reclassification simply because of the change in how medicine is practiced in the twenty-first century compared to earlier years.

In 1999, Congress granted two-year reclassifications in Section 152 of the BBRA to four counties (Lake County, Indiana; Butler County, Ohio; Brazoria County, Texas; and Orange County, New York) that could no longer meet the countywide criteria. Through administrative action CMS extended these reclassifications through September 30, 2003.

These "Section 152 hospitals" are seeking either a permanent reclassification or a renewal of the earlier reclassifications.

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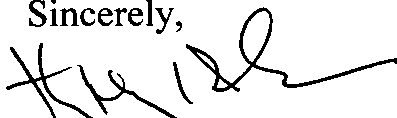
I was surprised and dismayed to receive your notice that you had not received my lobbying reports for 2003, as required by the Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995. I prepared the reports and a cover letter on October 31, 2003, and left the envelopes to be mailed when I left my employment at the National Network for Youth on that date.

Unfortunately, I assumed that your previous notice was due to the delays in mail delivery to the House and Senate, which I understand from former colleagues can be as much as 2 months. For that reason, this letter is being sent via certified mail.

I have enclosed copies of both the 2003 mid-year and final lobbying reports, along with my letter of that date requesting that my name be withdrawn as a lobbyist.

Should you have any questions, or require additional information, you can contact me at 703-533-8284 or via e-mail at kimberly.oconnor@cox.net.

Sincerely,



Kimberly Barnes-O'Connor

