

May 12, 2026

Via Email and U.S. Mail

Ann Rutherford Reed, RN, BSN, MBA
Director of Licensure
Division of Health Licensure and Regulation
Health Facilities Commission
Andrew Jackson Building
502 Deaderick Street, 9th Floor
Nashville, TN 37243

CC: Niraj Soni and Eddie Stewart

RE: Request for Saint Thomas Rutherford Hospital (License #100) and Saint Thomas Stones River Hospital (License #9) to be added to the June 24, 2026 agenda for the Health Facilities Commission meeting.

Dear Ms. Reed:

I am writing this letter on behalf of Saint Thomas Rutherford Hospital ("Rutherford") and Saint Thomas Stones River Hospital, LLC ("Stones"), both of which are Tennessee nonprofit entities and wholly owned subsidiaries of Saint Thomas Health ("Ascension Saint Thomas"). Rutherford owns and operates Ascension Saint Thomas Rutherford, an acute care hospital located at 1700 Medical Center Parkway, Murfreesboro, TN 37129 and Stones owns and operates Ascension Saint Thomas Stones River, an acute care hospital located at 324 Doolittle Road, Woodbury, TN 37190 ("Stones") (collectively, the "Facilities"). The Facilities hold the above-referenced hospital licenses issued by the Tennessee Department of Health, Division of Health Licensure and Regulation (the "Division").

This letter shall serve as notice to the Division of the proposed merger of Stones into Rutherford with Rutherford being the surviving entity (the "Merger"), and to request that the Division revise the existing Facility hospital licenses to add Stones to Rutherford's license as a satellite facility, as outlined in the attached flowchart. Following the Merger, the resulting multi-campus hospital will be operated by Rutherford under a single hospital license and under the name Ascension Saint Thomas Rutherford. Rutherford will also obtain a fictitious name registration for the new satellite facility under the name Ascension Saint Thomas Rutherford Stones River. The Merger will also result in the in Rutherford's license adding 60 med surge beds for a new total of 478 beds.

We anticipate that the Merger will be effective on or after July 1, 2026.

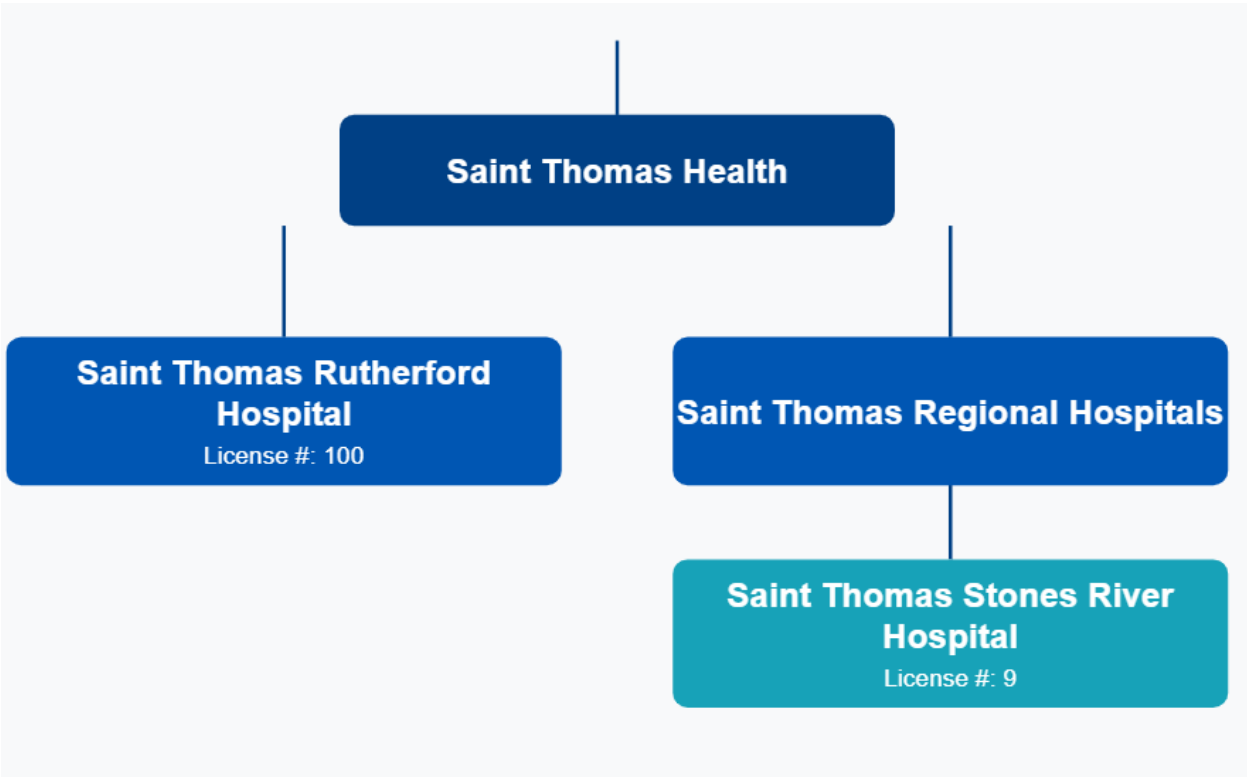
We are kindly requesting the Division to add the proposed Merger to the June 24, 2026 meeting agenda to discuss the proposed Merger, consolidation of license, and any possible waiver request.

Thank you for your time and attention to this matter. If you have any questions or require any further information, please contact me, Timothy Shalvey at, (615) 516-7211 or Timothy.Shalvey@ascension.org.

Sincerely,

Tim Shalvey

Current Structure



Post-Merger Structure

