

(i) The holding of an evidentiary hearing if the Commission, in accordance with criteria it has adopted by regulation, considers an evidentiary hearing appropriate due to the magnitude of the impact the proposed project may have on the health care delivery system; and

(ii) Preparation of a recommended decision for consideration by the full Commission.

[(4)](5) The Commission shall designate a single Commissioner to act as a reviewer for the application and any competing applications.

[(5)](6) The Commission shall delegate to its staff the responsibility for an initial review of an application, including, in the event that no written comments on an application are submitted by any interested party other than the staff of the Commission, the preparation of a recommended decision for consideration by the full Commission.

[(6)](7) Any "interested party" may submit written comments on the application in accordance with procedural regulations adopted by the Commission.

[(7)](8) The Commission shall define the term "interested party" to include, at a minimum:

(i) The staff of the Commission;

(ii) Any applicant who has submitted a competing application; and

(iii) Any other person who can demonstrate that the person would be adversely affected by the decision of the Commission on the application.

[(8)](9) The reviewer shall review the application, any written comments on the application, and any other materials permitted by this section or by the Commission's regulations, and present a recommended decision on the application to the full Commission.

[(9)](10) (i) An applicant and any interested party may request the opportunity to present oral argument to the reviewer, in accordance with regulations adopted by the Commission, before the reviewer prepares a recommended decision on the application for consideration by the full Commission.

(ii) The reviewer may grant, deny, or impose limitations on an interested party's request to present oral argument to the reviewer.

[(10)](11) Any interested party who has submitted written comments under paragraph [(6)](7) of this subsection may submit written exceptions to the proposed decision and make oral argument to the Commission, in accordance with regulations adopted by the Commission, before the Commission takes final action on the application.

[(11)](12) The Commission shall, after determining that the recommended decision is complete, vote to approve, approve with conditions, or deny the application on the basis of the recommended decision, the record before the staff or the reviewer, and exceptions and arguments, if any, before the Commission.