

AdCare Health Systems to Acquire Mountain Trace Nursing Center

North Carolina Nursing Home to Increase AdCare's Annualized Revenue Run-Rate by \$7.8 Million

SPRINGFIELD, Ohio, November 8, 2010 - AdCare Health Systems, Inc. (NYSE Amex: ADK), a recognized innovator in senior living and health care facility management, has signed a definitive agreement to purchase Mountain Trace Nursing Center, a 106-bed nursing facility in Sylva, North Carolina, for \$6.1 million.

The facility generates an estimated \$7.8 million in annualized revenues and is expected to be immediately accretive to AdCare's earnings upon closing. Management expects to close the transaction by year-end.

Combined with other transactions closed earlier this year, AdCare's estimated annualized revenue run-rate would exceed \$124 million upon closing Mountain Trace, representing an increase of more than 364% over annual revenues of \$26.7 million in 2009.

"Mountain Trace is the fourteenth facility we've put under contract since we began our M&A campaign at the end of last year," said Chris Brogdon, AdCare's vice chairman and chief acquisitions officer. "It represents our first entrance into North Carolina and is in line with our expansion into the southeast. As reflected in this facility's high occupancy, we believe this acquisition is well-supported by regional demographics."

AdCare plans to finance the acquisition of Mountain Trace through a bank loan guaranteed by the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA). The guarantee is provided through a program developed by the government to supply long-term financing for rural projects at favorable rates.

"As we work toward closing this transaction, additional opportunities continue to emerge in the southern region of the U.S. as well as around our original base in the Midwest," added Brogdon.

Brogdon joined AdCare in September 2009 when the company announced a new M&A growth strategy to build upon its strong reputation for operational efficiency and high-quality living environments.

About AdCare Health Systems

AdCare Health Systems, Inc. (NYSE Amex: ADK) is a recognized innovator in senior living and health care facility management. AdCare develops, owns and manages assisted living facilities, nursing homes and retirement communities, as well as provides home health care services. Since its inception in 1988, AdCare's mission has been to provide the highest quality of healthcare services to the elderly. For more information about AdCare, visit www.adcarehealth.com.

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