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**VIA EMAIL AND FIRST CLASS MAIL**

Donna Jerry  
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Green Mountain Care Board  
89 Main Street  
Montpelier, VT 05620-3101

**Re: Purchase of Maple Lane Nursing Home, Union House Nursing Home, and  
Pines Rehab & Health Care Center**

Dear Ms. Jerry:

This firm represents Bear Mountain Healthcare LLC (the “Applicant”), a Connecticut limited liability company. The Applicant has entered into an agreement with Northern Kare Facilities, Inc., Kingdom Rehab Center, LLC, Pine Knoll Nursing Home, Inc., and Union House Nursing Home, Inc. for the purchase of the land and operations of all buildings and all other structures, facilities or improvements of the following:

- Maple Lane Nursing Home, 60 Maple Lane, Barton, Vermont 05822, 71-bed facility;
- Union House Nursing Home, 3086 Glover Road, Glover, Vermont 05839, 44-bed facility; and
- Pines Rehab & Health Care Center, 601 Red Village Road, Lyndonville, Vermont 05851, 60-bed facility.

The Applicant will form Vermont limited liability companies; a propco and an opco for each of the three nursing homes.

The Applicant acknowledges that the proposed project is subject to the Green Mountain Care Board’s jurisdiction under 18 V.S.A. § 9434 and is providing preliminary information to commence the Certificate of Need application process. Please be advised that no material changes in the services, staffing, or bed capacity of the facilities are anticipated at this time in connection with this transaction. Likewise, the facilities will continue to participate in the Medicare and Medicaid programs.

If there is any additional information that would be helpful to you prior to sending the application packet, please do not hesitate to let me know.

Thank you in advance for your assistance.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, consisting of a large, stylized 'S' followed by a horizontal line extending to the right.

Shireen T. Hart