July 3, 2018

Ms. Donna Jerry Health Policy Analyst Green Mountain Care Board 89 Main Street Montpelier, VT 05620-3101

Re: RRMC CT Scanner Replacement CoN Letter of Intent

Dear Ms. Jerry:

Rutland Regional Medical Center intends to file a Certificate of Need application to replace the current VCT CT Scanner which is over 11 years old and past the end of its useful life.

The replacement will require minimal facilities updating in the existing VCT CT scanner space. Replacing our one scanner will not materially alter services; CT imaging is a core physician evaluative and diagnostic tool used for clinical care management and replacement is essential.

RRMC's CT scanner is utilized 24/7/365 for emergent, urgent and routine testing services. Since January 24, 2018 this equipment has experienced 74 hours of downtime, accumulated over 12 different dates, for extensive maintenance and repair that resulted in the need to transfer emergent patients to other facilities and to delay inpatient and scheduled outpatient care.

The capital cost of this project is approximately \$2,033,980. RRMC is requesting an expedited review for this project.

Please do not hesitate to contact me via e-mail at <u>cfort@rrmc.org</u> or phone (802-747-1600) should you have further questions. Thank you in advance for your consideration of this request.

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