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Re: Green Mountain Surgery Center, GMCB-010-15con – Request for Amendment to  
Scheduling Order

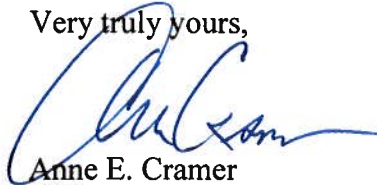
Dear Attorney Barber:

On behalf of the Vermont Association of Hospitals and Health Systems (“VAHHS”) and Northwestern Medical Center (“NMC”), we respectfully request that the March 21, 2019 Scheduling Order in the above-referenced matter be amended. The third provision of the Scheduling Order provides that the Interested Parties may have until April 8, 2019 to inform the Board if they intend to present testimony at the April 17, 2019 hearing. The first provision of the Scheduling Order permits the Green Mountain Surgery Center (“GMSC”) to submit documents related to whether it has complied with the conditions in its Certificate of Need by April 8, 2019. We request, as discussed during our pre-hearing conference on Tuesday, March 19, that the Interested Parties have until April 10, 2019, rather than April 8, 2019, to inform the Board whether they intend to present testimony at the hearing. The current schedule does not provide the Interested Parties with any opportunity to review submissions by GMSC made on April 8<sup>th</sup> before determining if the Interested Party wishes to present testimony and on what. Consequently, we request an additional forty-eight hours to consider the GMSC’s submissions prior to informing the Board as to whether the Interested Party intends to present testimony.

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We appreciate your consideration of this request.

Very truly yours,



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