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Ms. Jerry,

Acadia Healthcare Company, Inc. (Acadia) is requesting a formal Jurisdictional Determination Review (JDR) from Green Mountain Care Board. Habit Opco, LLC d/b/a Habit Opco-Brattleboro is a wholly owned subsidiary of Acadia and a registered entity in the state of Vermont. As the parent company, we are asking for the JDR on their behalf.

Acadia provides behavioral health and inpatient psychiatric hospitals, specialty treatment facilities, residential treatment centers, and outpatient clinics. At June 30, 2018, Acadia operated a network of 585 behavioral healthcare facilities, with approximately 17,900 beds in 40 states, the United Kingdom, and Puerto Rico. As a publicly traded company (ACHC) with a market capitalization of nearly \$3B, Acadia is also the nation's largest provider of Medically Assisted Treatment (MAT) outpatient services for opioid dependency which the CDC has labeled an epidemic for quite some time now. Approximately 116 facilities treat nearly 60,000 patients a day with this modality.

Acadia provides these services through federal and state licensed facilities around the NE area serving Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts and Rhode Island. In these states, 23 facilities provide MAT services to roughly 14,000 of our patients in that region of the country. Both the 116 facilities and nearly 60,000 patients a day also makes Acadia the largest provider of such treatment in America by way of both facilities and patients.

Our facility in Brattleboro has been operating in Vermont from quite some time and has the distinction of being a Hub center of excellence in Vermont's Hub and Spoke model of health care delivery. It came to our attention that an additional site is needed in Bennington, VT. Ms. Cynthia Thomas, Division Director of the Vermont Department of Health has committed \$175K towards this project due to dire need in the state and in Bennington specifically. We have located a site and are in lease negotiations. We cordially request an expedited JDR to help the citizens of Vermont and per the state's request to do so as early as possible.

Thank you for your time and the Board's consideration in this matter.

Sincerely,

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