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November 9, 2018

Mr. Claudio Fort, President and CEO Rutland Regional Medical Center 160 Allen St. Rutland, VT 05701

Re: Docket No. GMCB-030-18con, Purchase and Installation of Replacement Cardiac Nuclear Medicine Camera, Project Cost: \$570,744

Dear Mr. Fort:

Thank you for your October 18 and November 5, 2018 letters regarding the planned purchase and installation of a cardiac nuclear medicine camera at RRMC's cardiology practice at the outpatient Rutland Heart Center. The camera will replace the one currently in operation and is used for cardiac stress testing of patients with coronary artery disease to determine their risk of heart attack or other cardiac event. The total cost of the camera, including the equipment, removal of existing camera, physicist commissioning work, and \$84,350 for operational costs, is \$570,744.

Based on the information provided, the project does not meet the statutory dollar threshold of \$1,500,000 for the purchase of diagnostic and therapeutic equipment, and is therefore not subject to Certificate of Need review. However, if the scope or cost of the project changes before or during implementation, please contact the Board so it may determine whether further review is required.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at (802) 828-2918.

Sincerely,

<u>s/ Donna Jerry</u>Senior Health Policy Analyst

cc: Judith Henkin, General Counsel

