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January 27, 2021

Mr. Carsten Coombs Neshobe Falls Recovery 60 Park St. Brandon, VT 05733

RE: Docket No. GMCB-010-20con, Neshobe Falls Recovery, LLC, Development of Outpatient Treatment Center for Substance Use Disorder in Middlebury.

Dear Mr. Coombs:

Thank you for your revised letter dated January 21, 2021 requesting a jurisdictional determination and your January 21, 2021 submission of revised spreadsheets showing annual operating expenses and capital costs for Neshobe Falls Recovery, LLC, an outpatient treatment center for individuals with substance use disorder (SUD).

The financial spreadsheets submitted on January 21, 2021 represent there will be no capital costs associated with the proposed project. It is also represented that start-up expenses for April 1, 2021 through June 30, 2021 are projected to be \$111,161.74, with projected annual operating expenses of \$420,125.59 in year 1; \$436,274.33 in year 2; and \$445,659.94 in year 3.

As described in the documents you have submitted, the project is not subject to certificate of need (CON) review under 18 V.S.A. § 9434(a)(5) at this time. However, the Green Mountain Care Board requests that each year for the first three years of operation, Neshobe Falls Recovery, LLC submit spreadsheets that show both the projected and actual annual operating expenses and capital costs using the same format and line items as in the spreadsheets submitted on January 21, 2021 (with any additional line items added).

As you proceed with developing and implementing this project, if there are any changes in type, scope or cost of the project (for example, increases in operating expenses, hours of operation, or the number of clients monthly, or changes in services/programs offered, the number and/or type of staff, or the business location), please contact the Board immediately so we may determine whether any further process is necessary. Failure to do so as required by Green Mountain Care Board Rule 4.301(4) may result in sanctions as specified in 8 V.S.A. § 9445.



If you have further questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at 802-760-8162. Sincerely,

<u>s/ Donna Jerry</u>Donna Jerry, Senior Health Policy AnalystGreen Mountain Care Board

cc: Michael Barber, GMCB General Counsel