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May 27, 2021

Ms. Shayla Livingston  
280 State Drive, NOB 2 North  
Waterbury, VT 05671

**RE: Docket No. GMCB-002-21con, Construction of Secure Residential Treatment Program for individuals requiring residential treatment program services for mental health conditions. Project cost: \$21,900,521.**

Dear Ms. Livingston:

Thank you for the application received for the above referenced project. We are in the process of reviewing all the financial tables submitted with the application and will send you financial questions under separate cover. At this time, please provide the following information:

**Architectural**

1. Submit dimension plans of all clinical and non-clinical spaces for the new building and provide detailed information for any renovated areas, including the existing gym.
2. Provide a chart depicting compliance with the most recent FGI (Facilities Guidelines Institute) requirements pertaining to all aspects of the new building.
3. Provide a narrative of proposed mechanical/electrical/plumbing/fire protection system for the new building.
4. Submit a narrative of finishes to be used for the new building. Include a description of the type of doors and hardware used for the rooms and accessories to be used in patient bathrooms so we may confirm they are ligature resistant.
5. Submit a plan and list of furniture and equipment to be purchased or replaced. Confirm that all furniture and equipment used for patient use are ligature resistant and made for use in behavioral health facilities. Please confirm that furniture and equipment costs are included in the total project cost.



6. Provide a letter from Efficiency Vermont that outlines their review of the project and energy efficient components included in the project including the ground source heat pump (geothermal) heating system. Also confirm that the new structure is being built to be compliant with the 2020 Vermont Commercial Building Energy Standard (CBES). Please list any energy efficiency or renewable energy components of the project that go beyond what is required by the 2020 CBES.
7. Address whether you have discussed this project and the heating system with Green Mountain Power and whether the ground source heat pump heating system is eligible for Tier-3 incentives.

### **Staffing**

8. Given the increase in the number of beds (seven to sixteen beds) and work force shortages, explain how you will recruit the number and types of qualified staff for the delivery of services outlined in the application.

In responding, restate the question in bold font and respond in unbolded font. Send an electronic copy to me at [donna.jerry@vermont.gov](mailto:donna.jerry@vermont.gov) and one hard copy (three-hole punched) with a Verification Under Oath to my attention at the Green Mountain Care Board, 144 State Street, Montpelier, Vermont 05602.

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

Sincerely,

*s/ Donna Jerry*  
Senior Health Policy Analyst  
Green Mountain Care Board

cc. Laura Beliveau  
Staff Attorney

