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June 21, 2024

Ms. Donna Jerry Senior Health Policy Analyst Green Mountain Care Board 144 State Street Montpelier, VT 05602 Donna.Jerry@vermont.gov

Re: Docket No. GMCB-004-23con, Development of Outpatient Surgery Center on Tilley Drive, Project Cost: \$129,640,703.

Dear Ms. Jerry:

If the Green Mountain Care Board ("the Board") approves The University of Vermont Medical Center Inc.'s ("UVM Medical Center") proposed outpatient surgery center ("OSC") project, UVM Medical Center aims to commence construction in the late summer to fall of this year. UVM Medical Center requests the Green Mountain Care Board's ("the Board") authorization to incur a \$20,000 liability to order certain necessary electrical equipment now, before the Board decides the Certificate of Need ("CON") application.

The lead times for this equipment, which includes dry transformers, distribution & branch panelboards, and switch gear, ranges from 36 – 90 weeks. UVM Medical Center can avoid potentially costly construction delays later by ordering the equipment now. The price of the equipment is \$809,123.47. UVM Medical Center can place an order now without making a deposit and with the option to cancel the order before September 30, 2024 and pay a \$20,000 cancellation penalty. UVM Medical Center would cancel the order and pay the \$20,000 penalty in the event the Board denies its CON application.

Sincerely,

Karen Tyler

Associate General Counsel

The University of Vermont Health Network Inc.