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July 18, 2024

Elizabeth Wohl, Esq. 1 Anna Marsh Lane PO Box 803 Brattleboro, VT 05302

RE: Docket No. GMCB-014-23con, Development of an Inpatient Mental Health Unit for Adolescents, Cost: \$9,543,006

Dear Ms. Wohl:

The Board is reviewing SVMC's development of an inpatient mental health unit for adolescents ages 12-17. Statutory Criterion 2 (B) (i) requires the Board to consider and weigh relevant factors including the financial implications of a project on hospitals and other clinical settings including the impact on their services, expenditures and charges. On page 35 of the application submitted on February 28, 2024, SVMC states that, "the inpatient mental health unit for adolescents at SVMC will impact the Brattleboro Retreat, the only other facility in Vermont offering a similar service" …and further states that, "launching the unit at SVMC will not be without negative impact on the Brattleboro Retreat." Please provide the following information.

1. Given the projected utilization shown on Table 7B (Utilization Projections) in SVMC's application, for proposed years 1, 2 and 3 respectively, provide a spreadsheet that shows the impact of these utilization projections on the Brattleboro Retreat's inpatient mental health unit for adolescents and change in revenues given SVMC's projected utilization.

In responding, restate the question in bold font and respond in unbolded font. Send an electronic copy to me at <a href="mailto:donna.jerry@vermont.gov">donna.jerry@vermont.gov</a> and one hard copy (three-hole punched) with a Verification Under Oath to my attention at the Green Mountain Care Board, 1 National Life-Davis 3, Montpelier, Vermont 05633.

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

Sincerely,



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

Laura Beliveau, Staff Attorney, GMCB cc.

