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Elizabeth Wohl, Esq.  
Brattleboro Retreat.  
1 Anna Marsh Lane  
PO Box 803  
Brattleboro, VT 05302**RE: Docket No. GMCB-015-23con, Brattleboro Retreat, Re-Opening of Paused Adolescent Residential Treatment Beds**

Dear Ms. Wohl:

Thank you for your letters dated June 7, 2024, August 8, 2024, and September 9, 2024, that provided additional information regarding your request for a jurisdictional determination relative to the Brattleboro Retreat's (Retreat) intent to reopen the adolescent residential treatment program that was temporarily closed in 2021 due to the COVID-19 pandemic as a Psychiatric Residential Treatment Facility (PRTF).

The Retreat has represented to date that the services offered in the paused residential program are the same as the services to be offered at the PRTF; that staffing will be similar; that the number of licensed beds will not change, remaining at 15; that the location of the program is moving from primarily Osgood 3 to Linden Lodge 1 and 2; and that the overall acuity of the resident population will not be materially different from the population of the paused program because the admission and exclusion criteria are not materially different. The Retreat also represents that re-opening the Retreat's adolescent residential treatment program will allow the Retreat to effectively stabilize and discharge patients to a residential level of care for continued treatment.

The Green Mountain Care Board (GMCB) recently received confirmation from the Agency of Human Services that the facility will not be locked, and admissions will be voluntary, confirming the assertions as you had previously represented in your September 9, 2024, response to GMCB's August 28, 2024 questions.

Based on the representations contained in the document you submitted, the project is not subject to certificate of need (CON) review at this time. As you proceed with developing and implementing this project, if there are any changes in type, scope, services, or cost of the project (including, but not limited to, changes in capital and/or annual operating expenses), 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 any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at 802-760-8162.

Sincerely,

*s/ Donna Jerry*

Donna Jerry

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cc. Laura Beliveau, Staff Attorney, Green Mountain Care Board

