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Kevin Mullin, Chairman of the
Green Mountain Care Board

**Re: AHIP’s Comments on the University of Vermont Medical Center and Rutland Regional
Medical Center Mid-Year Budget Adjustment Request**

To Chairman Mullin and Members of the Green Mountain Care Board,

Every Vermonter deserves access to affordable, comprehensive, high-quality coverage and care. That’s what health insurance providers are committed to delivering. We fight for lower prices for all Vermonters by negotiating prices with doctors, hospitals, and drug companies, and passing that along to you through lower premiums and out-of-pocket costs. Health insurance providers work hard every day to ensure that you get the best possible care at the lowest possible price. However, unprecedented mid-year service rate increase requests made by hospitals work against these aims.

We all have a role to play in reducing costs and improving quality and affordability of care for Vermont’s patients. Let’s work together on solutions to improve affordability, access, and quality of care.

Sincerely,

America’s Health Insurance Plans

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