



Cover Letter

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Re: Application for Certificate of Need for Silver Pines, LLC, Docket No: GMCB-016-19con

Dear Ms. Jerry,

Attached please find an electronic application for a Certificate of Need (CON) in PDF and Word files, financials in an Excel file, and a draft agreement of lease for the development of a medically supervised withdrawal treatment center for individuals with substance use disorders in Stowe, Vermont. I will also be hand delivering a three-hole punched hard copy of the application and the original verification under oath form later today.

In preparing the application, I addressed the Statutory Criteria 18 V.S.A. § 9437(1)-(5) and (7-9), Health Resource Allocation Plan CON Standards 1.2, 1.3, 1.4, 1.6, 1.7, 4.4, 4.5, 4.6, and the Institute of Healthcare Improvement Triple Aims. If you or others on the Green Mountain Care Board decide any other standards are relevant, please let me know, and I will quickly provide the necessary information.

As indicated in the Letter of Intent, I respectfully request expedited review of this application under 18 V.S.A. § 9440(c)(5)(D) in order to get Silver Pines operational in an expeditious manner to meet the urgent needs of people with substance use disorders. Pursuant to 4.304 Expedited Review, Silver Pines will not substantially alter services that are currently being offered in Vermont but will enhance the treatment landscape in the State by offering a much-needed service that is limited. Since Silver Pines will not be contracting with Medicaid or Medicare, there will not be a significant impact on services provided or the cost of healthcare in the State.

I look forward to working with you and the Green Mountain Care Board on this important project. Please let me know of any additional information you need.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "William Cats-Baril", with a long, sweeping underline.

William Cats-Baril, PhD
CEO and Managing Partner, Silver Pines Partners