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January 4, 2006

William Gilbert  
Vice President, Operations  
Community Prevention and Addiction Services, Inc.  
1491 West Main Street  
Willimantic, CT 06226

RE: Certificate of Need Determination; Report Number 05-30645-DTR  
Community Prevention and Addiction Services, Inc.  
CON Exemption Pursuant to Section 17a-678, C.G.S.  
Establish Ambulatory Chemical Detoxification Treatment Program in Putnam

Dear Mr. Gilbert:

The Office of Health Care Access ("OHCA") is in receipt of your request for exemption from the Certificate of Need ("CON") process, pursuant to Section 17a-678 of the Connecticut General Statutes ("C.G.S."), to establish an ambulatory chemical detoxification program at their facility at 391 Pomfret Street in Putnam.

Upon review of the information contained in the request, OHCA finds the following:

1. Community Prevention and Addiction Services, Inc. ("CPAS") is a non-profit facility providing residential detoxification treatment at 391 Pomfret Street in Putnam.
2. CPAS is proposing to provide ambulatory chemical detoxification treatment services at 391 Pomfret Street in Putnam.
3. The Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services ("DMHAS"), in a letter dated December 28, 2005, from Commissioner Thomas A. Kirk, Jr., Ph.D., grants an exemption under CGS Section 17a-678 to allow Community Prevention and Addiction Services, Inc. to provide ambulatory chemical detoxification services at 391 Pomfret Street in Putnam.
4. DMHAS states that the addition of this level of care will greatly address the need for treatment of persons with an opiate addiction in the region. It also provides an effective alternative to more costly residential detoxification services.

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5. The total capital expenditure associated with the proposal is \$0.

Based on the above findings, OHCA has determined that Community Prevention and Addiction Services, Inc.'s request to establish an ambulatory chemical detoxification treatment program at 391 Pomfret Street in Putnam meets the exemption requirements of Section 17a-678 of the Connecticut General Statutes and, therefore, is exempt from OHCA's CON process. Termination of these services would require CON approval, pursuant to Section 19a-638, C.G.S.

Thank you for providing information to OHCA regarding this proposal. If you have any questions concerning this letter, please contact Paolo Fiducia, Associate Health Care Analyst, Certification, Financial Analysis and Forecasting, at (860) 418-7001.

Sincerely,

Signed by Cristine A. Vogel  
Commissioner

C: Honorable Thomas A. Kirk, Jr., Ph.D., Commissioner, DMHAS  
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