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John Hamilton
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RE: Certificate of Need Determination; Report Number 07-31107-EXM
Regional Network of Programs, Inc.
CON Exemption Pursuant to Sections 17a-678 and 19a-639b, C.G.S.
Establish an Intensive Residential Substance Abuse Treatment and a Psychiatric
Outpatient Clinic for Adults in Bridgeport

Dear Mr. Hamilton:

The Office of Health Care Access (“OHCA”) is in receipt of your request for exemption from the Certificate of Need (“CON”) process, pursuant to Sections 17a-678 and 19a-639b of the Connecticut General Statutes (“C.G.S.”), to establish an intensive residential substance abuse treatment program and a psychiatric outpatient clinic for adults in Bridgeport.

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

1. Regional Network of Programs, Inc. (“RNP”) is a non-profit facility providing individualized case management, crisis intervention, on-site medical and psychiatric services, community networking and life skills training to men and women, aged 18 and over, in Bridgeport and Stratford.
2. RNP is proposing to provide intensive residential substance abuse treatment and psychiatric outpatient treatment for adults at 392 Prospect Street, Bridgeport, CT.
3. The Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services (“DMHAS”), in a letter dated March 17, 2008, from Deputy Commissioner Peter B. Rockholz, M.S.S.W., grants an exemption under CGS Section 17a-678 to allow Regional Network of Programs, Inc. to obtain a license for the facility in the care or treatment of substance abusive or dependent

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persons-intensive residential substance abuse treatment for adults at 392 Prospect Street, Bridgeport, CT. The Applicant will provide a 20-bed residential treatment program to serve substance abusive and dependent adults.

4. DMHAS states that the proposed enhanced residential substance abuse treatment program will serve 300 unduplicated clients annually. The residential program will serve the Greater Bridgeport area and as well as clients across the state. RNP is a DMHAS funded agency.
5. The Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services (“DMHAS”), in a letter dated March 17, 2008, from Deputy Commissioner Peter B. Rockholz, M.S.S.W., recommends an exemption under CGS Section 19a-639b for Regional Network of Programs, Inc. to provide psychiatric outpatient treatment services for adults at 392 Prospect Street, Bridgeport, CT.
6. DMHAS states that RNP has current contracts with DMHAS to provide behavioral health services for clients with co-occurring mental health and substance use disorders. The site will serve Greater Bridgeport area serving approximately 240 unduplicated clients annually.
7. The capital expenditure associated with this proposal is \$50,000.

Based on the above findings, OHCA has determined that Regional Network of Programs, Inc.’s request to establish an intensive residential substance abuse treatment program and a psychiatric outpatient clinic for adults at 392 Prospect Street, in Bridgeport, CT, meets the exemption requirements of Sections 17a-678 and 19a-639b 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 Commissioner Vogel on June 12, 2008

Cristine A. Vogel
Commissioner

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