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February 14, 2008

Joseph J. Sullivan, LCSW
President/CEO
Midwestern Connecticut Council on Alcoholism, Inc.
38 Old Ridgebury Road
Danbury, CT 06810

RE: Certificate of Need Determination; Report Number 08-31096-EXM
Midwestern Connecticut Council on Alcoholism, Inc.
Establish a Psychiatric Outpatient Clinic for Adults in New Milford

Dear Mr. Sullivan:

On January 24, 2008, the Office of Health Care Access ("OHCA") received your application for exemption from the Certificate of Need ("CON") process for the establishment of a psychiatric outpatient clinic for adults at 17 East Street, New Milford, Connecticut.

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

1. Midwestern Connecticut Council on Alcoholism, Inc. ("MCCA") is a non-profit facility that provides substance abuse services at various locations in Connecticut.
2. MCCA is proposing to establish a psychiatric outpatient clinic for adults at 17 East Street, New Milford, CT.
3. The Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services ("DMHAS"), in a letter dated January 28, 2008, from Deputy Commissioner Peter B. Rockholz, M.S.S.W., recommends an exemption under CGS Section 19a-639b for Midwestern Connecticut Council on Alcoholism, Inc. to provide psychiatric outpatient treatment services for adults at 17 East Street in New Milford, CT. The program will serve the Greater Danbury (Danbury, Bethel, Bridgewater, Brookfield, New Fairfield, New Milford, Newtown, Redding, Ridgefield, and Sherman).

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4. DMHAS states that a total of 140 clients in New Milford with co-occurring disorders will be served annually. DMHAS has a current contract with this site to provide services for clients with co-occurring mental and addiction disorders.
5. There is no capital expenditure associated with this proposal.

Based on the above findings, OHCA has determined that Midwestern Connecticut Council on Alcoholism, Inc.'s request to establish a psychiatric outpatient clinic for adults at 17 East Street in New Milford, CT, meets the exemption requirements of Section 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 February 14, 2008

Cristine A. Vogel
Commissioner

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