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February 5, 2009

Barry Simon
Executive Director
Gilead Community Services, Inc.
681 Saybrook Road
Middletown, CT 06457

RE: Certificate of Need Determination; Report Number 09-31304-EXM
Gilead Community Services, Inc. d/b/a/ Gateway Counseling Services
CON Exemption Pursuant to Sections 19a-639b C.G.S.
Termination of Psychiatric Outpatient Treatment Program for Adults in Essex

Dear Mr. Simon:

The Office of Health Care Access ("OHCA") received a letter from The Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services ("DMHAS"), recommending an exemption from the Certificate of Need ("CON") process, pursuant to Sections 19a-639b of the Connecticut General Statutes ("C.G.S."), for the termination a mental health outpatient treatment program for adults in Essex.

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

1. Gilead Community Services d/b/a Gateway Counseling Services ("GCS") is a non-profit facility providing adult outpatient psychiatric treatment at 180 Westbrook Road, Building #5, Essex, Connecticut.
2. The Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services ("DMHAS"), in a letter received September 29, 2008, from Assistant Commissioner Paul J. Di Leo, MS, FACHE, recommends an exemption under CGS Section 19a-639b for Gilead Community Services d/b/a Gateway Counseling Services to terminate psychiatric outpatient treatment services for adults at 180 Westbrook Road, Building #5 in Essex, CT.
3. DMHAS states that GCS proposes to discontinue its mental health outpatient treatment program, located at 180 Westbrook Road, Building #5, Essex and to serve clients from the shoreline area at its Middletown clinic.

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4. DMHAS states that for 2007, the program served a total of 205 individuals. Of the current 180 active clients, all but 5 wish to continue services at the Applicant's Middletown site. The Applicant has addressed client transportation to the Middletown clinic and will notify referral agencies of the change.
5. The capital expenditure associated with this proposal is \$0.

Based on the above findings, OHCA has determined that the proposal to terminate the psychiatric outpatient treatment program for adults at Gilead Community Services, Inc. located at 180 Westbrook Road, building #5, Essex, CT., meets the exemption requirements of Section 19a-639b of the Connecticut General Statutes and, therefore, is exempt from OHCA's CON process.

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 5, 2009

Cristine A. Vogel
Commissioner

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