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Ms. Traci Hughes, FSA, MAAA
Lewis & Ellis, Inc.
700 Central Expressway South, Suite 550
Allen, TX 75013

Re: 2025 Vermont Exchange Rate Filing – Small Group
SERFF Tracking #: MVPH-134081005

Dear Ms. Hughes:

This letter is in response to your correspondence received 07/15/24 regarding the above-mentioned rate filing. The responses to your questions are provided below.

1. Please provide the rating impact of assuming each of the following scenarios:
 - a. Hospital budgets are approved as recently submitted.
 - b. Hospital budgets are approved at zero unit cost change for FY2025.
 - c. Hospital budgets are approved at a uniform 10% unit cost increase for FY2025 for all facilities.

Response: The impact of scenarios a, b, and c on the total rate increase are 0.8%, -2.0%, and 2.8%, respectively. Please see the attached Excel workbook for updated trend derivations corresponding to each of the scenarios above. Regarding the recently submitted hospital budgets, we did not update the estimate for Brattleboro Retreat. We used the overall proposed increase for inpatient, outpatient, and professional services, unless otherwise specified in the narrative.

If you have any questions or require any additional information, please contact me at ebachner@mvphhealthcare.com.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "E. Bachner".

Eric Bachner, ASA
Director, Commercial Market & Valuation Actuary
MVP Health Care, Inc.

Question #1a Facility Trends

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TOTAL, GMCB HOSPITALS	50.9%	3.9%	50.5%	6.0%	
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CVMC					
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VT BH					
VT Chiro					
New Hampshire Participating					
Ambulatory - Ancillary					
DME - Ancillary					
Home Infusion - Ancillary					
Lab - Ancillary					
Rental/NY/Negotiated/Other					
TOTAL	100.0%	1.7%	100.0%		2.7%

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