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Attn: Jody Sanders 900 Cottage Grove Road Bloomfield, CT 06152

Re: Cigna Health and Life Insurance Company SERFF Tracking #: CCGP-134009857 2024 Large Group Rate Filing

Dear Jody:

Lewis & Ellis, LLC (L&E) has been retained by the Vermont Green Mountain Care Board (GMCB) to review the above referenced filing. Upon review of the submitted filing documentation, the following additional information is needed.

- 1. The response to prior objection 5 from the 1st objection letter indicated that medical utilization is set nationally through a combination of multiple factors. Please provide further quantitative support for the 2.0% medical utilization trend. For example, provide historical utilization trends comparable to the assumption and/or quantitative support for utilization trend attributed to items that are expected to increase compared to what has been observed historically.
- 2. The response to prior objection 5 from the 1st objection letter indicated that Rx trend drivers include price changes, inflation, new drug pipelines, etc. Please provide further quantitative support for the increase in Rx trend from 8.5% in the prior filing to 10.4% in this filing. More specifically, we observe that the observed average pharmacy trend from 2019-2022 is 9.6%, please provide further justification for a trend assumption that is higher than what has been observed historically.
- 3. The response to prior objection 3 from the 2nd objection letter indicated that the 8.64% trend shown in "VT 2024 Supplemental Exhibits" does not directly relate to the proposed medical trend. Please address the following
 - a. Please provide quantitative support for how this 8.64% trend, after adjusting for the inclusion of Rx, VT residence, and pricing factors, reconciles to the proposed 7.2% medical and Rx trend.
 - b. Please provide a version of the "Pricing Trend Assumptions" from the "VT 2024 Supplemental Exhibits" that reconciles to the proposed 7.2% trend in total.
- 4. Please provide the actual profit realized in 2022.

We appreciate responses as expeditiously as possible to every objection in our letter, but no later than April 11, 2024.

Sincerely,

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