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Date: Wednesday, January 30, 2008

RE: Ross Manor

Subject: CON Unit suspension letter dated January 8, 2008

Dear Mr. ~~Carboneau~~: *Larry*

We are in receipt of your January 8, 2008 letter informing us of the decision to suspend the review of our Bangor project. We understand this action and are content with your notification.

In addition, we have decided to reduce the scope of our plans in favor of an expenditure that does not exceed the capital expenditure limitation to the non-dining and administrative NF (as outlined in Phyllis's email). Our decision to abandon our original plan was made because for the finish we cannot meet the condition of neutrality. At the same time please know we will adhere to the elements in Ms. Powell's September 2007 email to me and undertake only that which may be done that does not exceed the capital expenditure limitation.

Thank you for helping us to fully appreciate the CON rules. Your input has guided us to our present position and while we will do less than we had hoped that outcome is probably the right one given the current economic climate.

Again thank you for working with us.

Sincerely,

Kenneth W. Bowden, CEO
First Atlantic Healthcare

Cc: Wanda Pelkey