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St. André Health Care Facility  
Division of Licensing and  
Regulatory Services  
*A skilled nursing and rehabilitation facility.*

November 23, 2009

Mr. Steven Keaten  
Department of Health & Human Services  
State House Station #11  
41 Anthony Avenue  
Augusta, ME 04333-0011

Dear Mr. Keaten:

St. Andre Health Care Facility is planning a renovation of our long term care unit. It is our intent to renovate this thirty-seven bed unit to reflect many of the CMS recommendations regarding creation of a more "homelike" environment.

The project will include the following:

- New wall coverings/painting; flooring, lighting and furniture for all resident rooms and common areas.
- Relocation of nursing station to create more common living space for our residents.
- Use of "green" products when feasible.

The costs associated with the project are estimated at:

• Base construction costs	\$176,300.
• Equipment/furnishing/fixtures	\$318,500.
• Planning and architectural	<u>\$ 5,200.</u>
Total projected costs	\$500,000.00

St. Andre Health Care has been accredited by CARF-CCAC.



Although we do not believe the scope of this project requires a Certificate of Need (CON), MHEFA is seeking written confirmation as to this fact prior to allowing the deployment of funds. Mr. Keaten, as we are poised to begin this much needed renovation, I would sincerely appreciate your timely consideration of this matter.

Sincerely,



Andrea Otis-Higgins  
CEO/Administrator



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