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**VIA U.S. and ELECTRONIC MAIL**

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Senior Vice President, Development  
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**Re: Proposal for Joint Venture between Greater Waterbury Health Network, Inc. and Vanguard Health Systems, Inc. – OHCA Docket No. 13-31838-CON and Attorney General Docket No. 13-486-01**

Dear Ms. Stromstad and Mr. Pilgrim:

Thank you for your letter dated February 5, 2014, pursuant to which you have requested an additional extension of the 120 day review period, set forth in Conn. Gen. Stat. § 19a-486b (the "Review Period"), in connection with the proposed joint venture between Greater Waterbury Health Network, Inc. ("GWHN") and Vanguard Health Systems, Inc. ("Vanguard"). Pursuant to that section, the "one-hundred-twenty-day period may be extended by agreement of the Attorney General, the commissioner [of the department of public health], the nonprofit hospital and the purchaser."

In your initial extension request, you requested a tolling of the Review Period to allow you to submit supplemental information to the Application (the "Supplement"). Our Offices agreed that the Review Period would conclude ninety (90) days after you file the Supplement with the Office of the Attorney General (the "OAG") and the Commissioner of the Department of Public Health, Office of Health Care Access ("OHCA"). We also agreed that in the event you had not submitted the Supplement by November 8, 2013, you could consult with the OAG and OHCA to determine if further revisions to the scheduling order were appropriate.

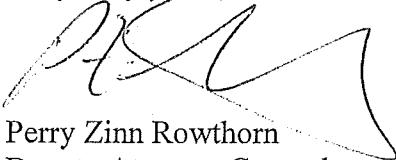
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In your second extension request on November 8, 2013, you requested an additional 90 day extension to allow you to submit the Supplement to our Offices. In addition, had you not submitted the Supplement by that time, you requested the opportunity to consult with our Offices to determine if further revisions to the scheduling order are appropriate.

In your February 5, 2014, letter, you requested an additional 120 day extension to allow you to submit the Supplement to our Offices. In addition, if you have not submitted the Supplement by that time, you request the opportunity to consult with our Offices to determine if further revisions to the scheduling order are appropriate.

Pursuant to § 19a-486b, our Offices agree to extend the Review Period as you have requested and as set forth above. In addition, to the extent the OAG and OHCA determine that GWHN and Vanguard have not provided sufficient information in the Supplement to allow the OAG and OHCA to properly evaluate the application, the parties to this extension agreement will confer to determine if a further extension of the schedule to decide the application or other action is appropriate.

Very truly yours,



Perry Zinn Rowthorn  
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Office of the Attorney General

Very truly yours,



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Office of Health Care Access

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