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Office of the State Fire Marshall
c/o/ Marc Veilleux
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Augusta, Maine 04033

RE: Liberty Bay Recovery Center

Hi Marc-

The Director of Liberty Bay and I have met to discuss his program in more detail. As we discussed at your office yesterday, the lower level is the administrative floor and the upper level is the recovery client floor. The existing building is Type III, 2 story, +/- 12,000 s.f. per floor, fully sprinklered.

The upper level is intended to house 19 or 20 voluntary commitment clients for a 14 day stay. Rooms on the upper floor accommodate staff and clients as well as a kitchen for prepared meals. There are 7 detox rooms that are available after an admission interview and 12 other rooms set up as bedrooms for clients.

Important points made by the Director regarding the clients of this facility include-

The detox area will handle both opioid and alcohol dependency.

- Opioid- No sedatives will be administered to opioid dependent people, they will remain ambulatory. There will always be 2 nurses and a residential tech on station.
- Alcohol- No sedatives will be administered to alcohol dependent people, they will remain ambulatory. There will always be 2 nurses and a residential tech on station. The alcohol program clients typically receive blood pressure and seizure medication.

The residential rooms will house clients who receive counseling in a group format over a period of 14 days max.

The Liberty Bay Recovery Center has a preferred provider agreement with Maine Med that allows them to place elsewhere interviewees who do not meet the above characteristics. The facility does not house clients who are sedated or incapable of self-preservation. This suggests that the facility does not meet the definition of Ambulatory Health Care Occupancy or Health Care Occupancy but does meet Residential Board and Care, since they are receiving personal care.

The building is Type III, 2 stories. Residential Board and Care is permitted if the structure is Type III (211). We plan on installing a 1 hr. rated ceiling in this fully sprinklered building per UL detail L206.

Thanks for your review and please call with any questions-

Regards-

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