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Chief Operating Officer  
Maine Veterans' Homes  
400 Civic Center Drive  
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**RE: Letter of Applicability: Maine Veterans Home-Augusta Replacement Facility**

Dear Ms. Fournier:

This correspondence responds to your letter of intent dated January 24, 2017 in which Maine Veterans' Homes proposes to construct a replacement facility for Maine Veterans Home – Augusta. This new facility would consist of 108 SNF/NF beds and 30 Residential Care beds. The estimated capital costs associated with this facility are \$75.86 million.

Based on the information you provided, the Department of Health and Human Services has determined that the proposal as described is subject to review. The applicable reason(s) this is a covered project are indicated below:

- This project is not a transfer of ownership or acquisition of control of a health care facility.
- This project is not an acquisition of major medical equipment where the expenditure exceeds \$3,620,916.
- This project is not a new health service where neither:
  - Capital expenditures exceed \$3,394,609 nor,
  - Third year annual expenditures exceed \$1,131,536.
- This project is not a new health care facility where:
  - Capital expenditures exceed \$5,000,000 for a nursing facility or
  - Capital expenditures exceed \$3,000,000 for other covered facilities.
- The total capital costs associated with the project does exceed:
  - \$5,657,681 for nursing facilities.
  - \$11,315,363 for hospitals or other covered facilities.
- The project is not an increase in a licensed bed category or in the case of hospitals not greater than a 10% increase in bed capacity.

Sincerely,

Richard S. Lawrence  
Senior Health Care Financial Analyst

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