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December 14, 2007

Mr. John Twitty, Controller
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101 Grace Drive
Easley, South Carolina 29640

Re: AC# 3-LRH-J3 – Laurel Hill, Inc.

Dear Mr. Twitty:

The accompanying report has been prepared by our office based on your Medicaid Financial and Statistical Report submitted to the Department of Health and Human Services for the cost report period October 1, 2002 through September 30, 2003. That report was used to set the rate covering the contract period beginning October 1, 2004.

We are recommending that the Department of Health and Human Services certify an accounts payable for the amounts owed as a result of the rate change shown at Exhibit A. You will be notified of payment by that Agency.

If you take exception to this report in any manner, you have the right to appeal in accordance with the Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, as amended, Title 44, and Department of Health and Human Services Regulation R.126-150, and you must respond in writing within thirty (30) calendar days of the date of this letter. This written response must address the specific items in the report being appealed, and must be directed to the Appeals and Hearings, Department of Health and Human Services, Post Office Box 8206, Columbia, South Carolina 29202-8206. Any correspondence should include the control number appearing on Exhibit A of this report.

Yours very truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Richard H. Gilbert, Jr.", written in a cursive style.

Richard H. Gilbert, Jr., CPA
Deputy State Auditor

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cc: Ms. Brenda L. Hyleman
Mr. Jeff Saxon
Ms. Kathleen C. Snider

LAUREL HILL, INC.
PICKENS, SOUTH CAROLINA

CONTRACT PERIOD
BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2004
AC# 3-LRH-J3

AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES REPORT
ON CONTRACT
FOR
PURCHASE OF NURSING CARE SERVICES
WITH
STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANT'S REPORT ON APPLYING AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES

August 21, 2007

Department of Health and Human Services
State of South Carolina
Columbia, South Carolina

We have performed the procedures enumerated below, which were agreed to by the South Carolina Department of Health and Human Services, solely to compute the rate change and related adjusted reimbursement rate to be used by the Department in determining the reimbursement settlement with Laurel Hill, Inc., for the contract period beginning October 1, 2004, and for the twelve month cost report period ended September 30, 2003, as set forth in the accompanying schedules. The management of Laurel Hill, Inc. is responsible for the Financial and Statistical Report for Nursing Homes and supporting accounting and statistical records. This agreed-upon procedures engagement was conducted in accordance with attestation standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. The sufficiency of the procedures is solely the responsibility of the South Carolina Department of Health and Human Services. Consequently, we make no representation regarding the sufficiency of the procedures described below either for the purpose for which this report has been requested or for any other purpose.

The procedures and the associated findings are as follows:

1. We selected costs or areas based on our analytical procedures applied to the reimbursable Medicaid program costs as shown on the Financial and Statistical Report for Nursing Homes, as filed by Laurel Hill, Inc., to determine if these costs were allowable as defined by the State Plan for Medicaid reimbursement purposes and supported by accounting and statistical records maintained by the Provider. Our findings as a result of these procedures are presented in the Summary of Costs and Total Patient Days, Adjustment Report, and Cost of Capital Reimbursement Analysis sections of this report.
2. We recomputed the Computation of Reimbursement Rate using the adjusted costs and calculated the rate change in accordance with the provisions of the contract between the South Carolina Department of Health and Human Services and Laurel Hill, Inc. dated as of October 1, 2001, as amended. Our findings as a result of these procedures are presented in the Computation of Rate Change and Computation of Adjusted Reimbursement Rate sections of this report.

Department of Health and Human Services
State of South Carolina
August 21, 2007

We were not engaged to and did not conduct an examination, the objective of which would be the expression of an opinion on the financial statements or a part thereof. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. Had we performed additional procedures, other matters might have come to our attention that would have been reported to you.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the South Carolina Department of Health and Human Services and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than the specified party.

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LAUREL HILL, INC.
Computation of Rate Change
For the Contract Period
Beginning October 1, 2004
AC# 3-LRH-J3

	10/01/04- <u>09/30/05</u>
Adjusted Reimbursement Rate	\$117.38
Interim Reimbursement Rate	<u>116.20</u>
Increase in Reimbursement Rate	\$ <u><u>1.18</u></u>

- (1) Interim reimbursement rate from the South Carolina Medicaid Management Information System (MMIS) Provider Rate Listing dated May 17, 2007.

LAUREL HILL, INC.
 Computation of Adjusted Reimbursement Rate
 For the Contract Period October 1, 2004 Through September 30, 2005
 AC# 3-LRH-J3

	<u>Incentives</u>	<u>Allowable Cost</u>	<u>Cost Standard</u>	<u>Computed Rate</u>
<u>Costs Subject to Standards:</u>				
General Services		\$ 59.73	\$ 75.27	
Dietary		10.61	12.42	
Laundry/Housekeeping/Maintenance		<u>10.37</u>	<u>11.28</u>	
Subtotal	<u>\$6.93</u>	80.71	98.97	\$ 80.71
Administration & Medical Records	<u>\$3.50</u>	<u>11.15</u>	<u>14.65</u>	<u>11.15</u>
Subtotal		91.86	<u>\$113.62</u>	91.86
<u>Costs Not Subject to Standards:</u>				
Utilities		1.88		1.88
Special Services		-		-
Medical Supplies & Oxygen		4.42		4.42
Taxes and Insurance		6.19		6.19
Legal Fees		<u>.03</u>		<u>.03</u>
TOTAL		<u>\$104.38</u>		104.38
Inflation Factor (4.70%)				4.91
Cost of Capital				7.18
Cost of Capital Limitation				(.84)
Profit Incentive (Maximum 3.5% of Allowable Cost)				3.50
Cost Incentive				6.93
Effect of \$1.75 Cap on Cost/Profit Incentives				<u>(8.68)</u>
ADJUSTED REIMBURSEMENT RATE				<u>\$117.38</u>

LAUREL HILL, INC.
 Summary of Costs and Total Patient Days
 For the Cost Report Period Ended September 30, 2003
 AC# 3-LRH-J3

<u>Expenses</u>	Totals (From Schedule SC 13) as <u>Adjusted by DH&HS</u>	Adjustments		<u>Adjusted Totals</u>
		<u>Debit</u>	<u>Credit</u>	
General Services	\$1,720,544	\$ -	\$4,800 (6) 856 (7)	\$1,714,888
Dietary	304,742	16 (7)	-	304,758
Laundry	86,443	-	-	86,443
Housekeeping	142,095	55 (7)	-	142,150
Maintenance	69,146	56 (7)	-	69,202
Administration & Medical Records	313,285	851 (5) 6,045 (7)	-	320,181
Utilities	53,884	69 (7)	-	53,953
Special Services	-	-	-	-
Medical Supplies & Oxygen	135,050	-	5,096 (8) 3,158 (9)	126,796
Taxes and Insurance	138,990	38,383 (5) 274 (7)	-	177,647
Legal Fees	707	52 (7)	-	759

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<u>Expenses</u>	Totals (From Schedule SC 13) as Adjusted by DH&HS	Adjustments		Adjusted Totals
		<u>Debit</u>	<u>Credit</u>	
Cost of Capital	182,028	38,984 (4)	2,699 (1) 2,243 (2) 8,954 (3) <u>1,086 (7)</u>	206,030
Subtotal	<u>3,146,914</u>	<u>84,785</u>	<u>28,892</u>	<u>3,202,807</u>
Ancillary	103,735	5,096 (8)	-	108,831
Nonallowable	273,664	2,243 (2) 8,954 (3) 4,800 (6) 3,158 (9)	38,984 (4) 39,234 (5) 4,625 (7)	209,976
CNA Training and Testing	<u>22,040</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>22,040</u>
Total Operating Expenses	<u>\$3,546,353</u>	<u>\$109,036</u>	<u>\$111,735</u>	<u>\$3,543,654</u>
Total Patient Days	<u>28,711</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>28,711</u>
Total Beds	<u>80</u>			

LAUREL HILL, INC.
Adjustment Report
Cost Report Period Ended September 30, 2003
AC# 3-LRH-J3

<u>ADJUSTMENT</u> <u>NUMBER</u>	<u>ACCOUNT TITLE</u>	<u>DEBIT</u>	<u>CREDIT</u>
1	Accumulated Depreciation	\$10,563	
	Fixed Assets		\$ 108
	Cost of Capital		2,699
	Other Equity		7,756
	To adjust fixed assets and related depreciation HIM-15-1, Section 2304 State Plan, Attachment 4.19D		
2	Nonallowable	2,243	
	Cost of Capital		2,243
	To remove reorganization costs HIM-15-1, Section 2134.10		
3	Nonallowable	8,954	
	Cost of Capital		8,954
	To properly state loan cost amortization HIM-15-1, Section 2304 State Plan, Attachment 4.19D		
4	Cost of Capital	38,984	
	Nonallowable		38,984
	To adjust capital return State Plan, Attachment 4.19D		
5	Administration & Medical Records	851	
	Taxes and Insurance	38,383	
	Nonallowable		39,234
	To adjust general insurance expense HIM-15-1, Section 2162 State Plan, Attachment 4.19D		
6	Nonallowable	4,800	
	General Services		4,800
	To reclassify expenses to the proper cost center HIM-15-1, Section 2304 State Plan, Attachment 4.19D		

LAUREL HILL, INC.
Adjustment Report
Cost Report Period Ended September 30, 2003
AC# 3-LRH-J3

<u>ADJUSTMENT NUMBER</u>	<u>ACCOUNT TITLE</u>	<u>DEBIT</u>	<u>CREDIT</u>
7	Dietary	16	
	Housekeeping	55	
	Maintenance	56	
	Legal	52	
	Utilities	69	
	Taxes and Insurance	274	
	Administration & Medical Records	6,045	
	General Services		856
	Cost of Capital		1,086
	Nonallowable		4,625
	To adjust home office allocation HIM-15-1, Section 2304 State Plan, Attachment 4.19D		
8	Ancillary	5,096	
	Medical Supplies & Oxygen		5,096
	To reclassify expenses to the proper cost center DH&HS Crosswalk State Plan, Attachment 4.19D		
9	Nonallowable	3,158	
	Medical Supplies & Oxygen		3,158
	To remove special (ancillary) services cost reimbursed by Medicare State Plan, Attachment 4.19D		
	TOTAL ADJUSTMENTS	<u>\$119,599</u>	<u>\$119,599</u>

Due to the nature of compliance reporting, adjustment descriptions and references contained in the preceding Adjustment Report are provided for general guidance only and are not intended to be all-inclusive.

LAUREL HILL, INC.
 Cost of Capital Reimbursement Analysis
 For the Cost Report Period Ended September 30, 2003
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Original Asset Cost (Per Bed)	\$ 15,618
Inflation Adjustment	<u>2.63785</u>
Deemed Asset Value (Per Bed)	41,198
Number of Beds	<u>80</u>
Deemed Asset Value	3,295,840
Improvements Since 1981	627,337
Accumulated Depreciation at 9/30/03	<u>(771,865)</u>
Deemed Depreciated Value	3,151,312
Market Rate of Return	<u>.0531</u>
Total Annual Return	167,335
Return Applicable to Non-Reimbursable Cost Centers	-
Allocation of Interest to Non-Reimbursable Cost Centers	<u>-</u>
Allowable Annual Return	167,335
Depreciation Expense	38,693
Amortization Expense	-
Capital Related Income Offsets	-
Allocation of Capital Expenses to Non-Reimbursable Cost Centers	<u>-</u>
Allowable Cost of Capital Expense	206,028
Total Patient Days (Actual)	<u>28,711</u>
Cost of Capital Per Diem	\$ <u><u>7.18</u></u>

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Cost of Capital Reimbursement Analysis
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6/30/89 Cost of Capital and Return on Equity Capital Per Diem Reimbursement	\$2.35
Adjustment for Maximum Increase	<u>3.99</u>
Maximum Cost of Capital Per Diem	<u>\$6.34</u>
Reimbursable Cost of Capital Per Diem	\$6.34
Cost of Capital Per Diem	<u>7.18</u>
Cost of Capital Per Diem Limitation	<u>\$(.84)</u>

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