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PUBLIC RECORDS REQUEST

Via Federal Express

Governor Peter Shumlin
109 State Street Pavilion
Montpelier, VT 05609

Re: In the Matter of Vermont's Rule Governing the Prescription of Extended Release Hydrocodones Manufactured Without Abuse-Deterrent Formulations

Dear Governor Shumlin:

Pursuant to the Vermont Public Records Law, § 315 *et seq.*, I hereby request a copy of all documents – including but not limited to all notes, memoranda, correspondence, electronic records and communications, or other written, typed, printed, or published material of any type and printouts of any electronic or computerized data compilation – that relate in any way to the following topics:

1. The deliberation, adoption, and/or issuance of the Vermont Department of Health's Emergency Rule Governing the Prescription of Extended Release Hydrocodones Manufactured Without Abuse-Deterrent Formulations, released on April 3, 2014, including information related to any orders issued by the Governor in relation to such action.
2. Any factual information considered or relied upon by the Vermont Department of Health in connection with its deliberation, adoption, and/or issuance of the Emergency Rule issued on April 3, 2014.
3. Any action taken by the Vermont Department of Health to restrict the prescribing, dispensing, or administration of Zohydro™ ER.
4. Any other restrictions imposed or contemplated to be imposed upon the prescribing, dispensing, or administering of Zohydro™ ER.

5. Any documents relating to the reason or reasons for imposing restrictions on the prescription, dispensing, or administration of Zohydro™ ER but not on other extended release opioids.
6. Any documents relating to communications with representatives of the state of Massachusetts regarding possible treatment of Zohydro™ ER.

If there are any fees for searching or copying these records, please inform me if the cost will exceed \$300 and provide an estimate of the cost.

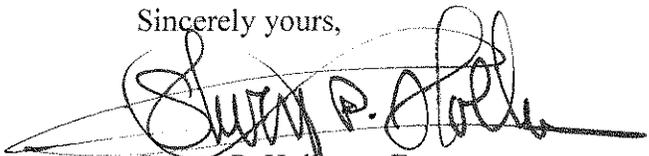
I believe that none of the information requested will be exempt from disclosure, but if you should deny access to any document covered by this request, please describe each of those documents in detail and specify the statutory bases claimed for denial, as well as any reasons for asserting that claim in sufficient detail to permit judicial or administrative review of your assertion. If you assert that a portion of any document which I have requested is exempt, please furnish a copy of the remainder of the document. If you assert that non-exempt portions are not reasonably severable, please state the reasons for that assertion. Please notify me as to the appeal procedures available to me in regard to any public records withheld from disclosure as exempt.

The law requires a response to this request within 10 calendar days. If you expect a significant delay fulfilling this request, please contact me with information regarding when I may expect to receive copies of the requested public records.

Enclosed is a duplicate copy of this letter, along with a self-addressed, stamped envelope. I would appreciate it if you would stamp this duplicate copy "received" and return it to me in the enclosed envelope for my files.

If you should have any questions concerning the materials covered by this request, please contact me at the telephone number listed below. I also would appreciate receiving a telephone call from you as soon as the responsive materials are available so that I may arrange for a messenger to pick them up.

Sincerely yours,



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Enclosures

cc: Susan M. Cook, Esq.