



BENEDICTINE LIVING CENTER
OF GARRISON

Benedictine Health System

609 Fourth Avenue NE- Garrison, North Dakota 58540

August 6, 2009

North Dakota Public Service Commission
600 E. Boulevard, Dept. 408
Bismarck, ND 58505-0480

RE: The Meadows Assisted Living
Request for a Determination Rule 69-09-02-37

Dear Commission,

Better Living for Garrison Inc, a non-profit 501c3 is building an 18 unit non-profit Assisted Living called The Meadows. It is connected to the Benedictine Living Center Nursing Home. The construction completion date is September 15, 2009. The Meadows will provide housing services & care packages for retired individuals 55 & older.

The Meadows requested Otter Tail Power Company to install a master meter. Otter Tail informed us that we would need to get written approval from the Public Service Commission in order to install a master meter.

I am requesting a determination exception on Rule 69-09-02-37. Part 1 specifically states in the rule as follows "This section is not applicable to hotels, motels, dormitories, nursing homes, homes for the elderly, or similar facilities, etc..

The average age of the eight individuals that are signed up to date is 86 years old. Utilities will be included in the monthly rental fee. Due to the construction completion date of September 15, 2009 we would really appreciate a quick response so we can proceed accordingly.

Sincerely,

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