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December 8, 2003

Ramendra & Roseline Halder
4669 Lisa Lane.
Berrien Springs, MI 49103

RE: Application #: AF110261378
Touch of Class
4669 Lisa Ln.
Berrien Springs, MI 49103

Dear Mr. & Mrs. Halder:

Attached is the Original Licensing Study Report for the above referenced facility. The study has determined substantial compliance with applicable licensing statutes and administrative rules. Therefore, a temporary license with a maximum capacity of 6 is issued.

Please review the enclosed documentation for accuracy and feel free to contact me with any questions. In the event that I am not available and you need to speak to someone immediately, please feel free to contact the local office at (269) 544-4445.

Sincerely,

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enclosure

**MICHIGAN FAMILY INDEPENDENCE AGENCY
OFFICE OF CHILDREN AND ADULT LICENSING
LICENSING STUDY REPORT**

I. IDENTIFYING INFORMATION

License #: AF110261378

Applicant Name: Halder, Roseline and Halder, Ramendra

Applicant Address: 4669 Lisa Lane.
Berrien Springs, MI 49103

Applicant Telephone #: (269) 471-1033

Administrator/Licensee Designee: N/A

Name of Facility: Touch of Class

Facility Address: 4669 Lisa Lane.
Berrien Springs, MI 49103

Facility Telephone #: (269) 471-1033
09/30/2003

Application Date:

Capacity: 6

Program Type: MENTALLY ILL
DEVELOPMENTALLY DISABLED
AGED

II. METHODOLOGY

09/30/2003	Enrollment
10/07/2003	Comment Trans. for on-site, entire LU file sent to Kzoo
10/07/2003	Inspection Report Requested - Health
11/17/2003	Inspection Completed-Env. Health : A
11/25/2003	Inspection Completed On-site
12/05/2003	Contact - Document Received-confirmation of rule compliance.

III. DESCRIPTION OF FINDINGS & CONCLUSIONS

A. Physical Description of Facility

This is a bi-level home located in a residential neighborhood. Residents will occupy primarily the lower level, which contains a sitting room, bathroom, kitchenette, and three bedrooms. The upper level does contain one resident bedroom with a private bath, as well as the licensees' living area. The lower level does contain a wheelchair ramp at the primary exit, but the home does have stairs that would need to be negotiated from the front door entrance.

The facility meets rule requirements concerning space and bedrooms space. Two bedrooms have enough room for two residents, and two bedrooms are for single occupancy.

This location has been licensed for adult foster care for a number of years. The existing licensees, A Touch of Class LLC, have agreed to close their license as soon as Mr. & Mrs. Halder are able to be licensed. A Touch of Class LLC has sold the house and property to Milton & Neela Bairagee, who in turn have authorized Mr. & Mrs. Halder to operate an adult foster care facility on the premises.

This location does have a private sewage disposal system and well. The Berrien County Health Department issued an "A" rating on 11/03/2003, indicating that the facility was in substantial compliance with applicable environmental health rules.

This home has previously met the fire safety requirements for a small group home, which exceed the requirements for the proposed family home license. The facility does have an interconnected smoke detection system, which is in operating condition.

Because this facility has been utilized for adult foster care for a number of years, the home is showing signs of wear and tear, particularly with marks and stains on the walls

and carpets. The applicants have washed walls and shampooed carpets, and have indicated in writing that they plan to have the walls repainted within 6 months. Due to the expense involved, replacing stained carpeting will be a 3-4 year project. The applicants will refurbish resident areas before working on their own personal living area.

B. Program Description

The applicants indicate a willingness to accept both men and women above age 30, with diagnoses of mental illness, developmental disability, or the elderly. Private pay and SSI payments will be accepted.

Mr. & Mrs. Halder will be the primary caregivers. They have identified Neela Bairagee as a responsible person who can provide care in their prolonged absence.

No criminal background was located by LEIN for the applicants or their responsible person. All have submitted evidence of medical capability and current TB test results.

Mr. & Mrs. Halder have been residing in the facility and providing care to existing residents since the home was sold on 10/31/2003, under the existing license issued to A Touch of Class LLC.

The applicants have been provided the necessary forms to be in compliance with licensing rules.

C. Rule/Statutory Violations

This facility has been found to be in compliance with applicable rules for adult foster care family homes. Quality of care rules will be evaluated further once the applicants are operating the home under their own license.

