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April 21, 2005

Nancy Beach
Valley Residential Serv Inc
P O Box 186
St Charles, MI 486550186

RE: Application #: AS730272460
Gera Road Home
13429 Gera Road
Birch Run, MI 48415

Dear Mrs. Beach:

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 (989) 839-1144.

Sincerely,

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enclosure

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

I. IDENTIFYING INFORMATION

License #: AS730272460

Applicant Name: Valley Residential Serv Inc

Applicant Address: 300 S Saginaw
St. Charles, MI 48655

Applicant Telephone #: (989) 865-9997

Administrator/Licensee Designee: Nancy Beach, Designee

Name of Facility: Gera Road Home

Facility Address: 13429 Gera Road
Birch Run, MI 48415

Facility Telephone #: (989) 624-4063

Application Date: 12/07/2004

Capacity: 6

Program Type: DEVELOPMENTALLY DISABLED

II. METHODOLOGY

12/07/2004	Enrollment
12/14/2004	Application Incomplete Letter Sent Need 1326 for Nancy Beach.
12/14/2004	Inspection Report Requested - Health
12/17/2004	Contact - Document Received 1326 for Nancy Beach.
01/03/2003	Contact – Document Received A rating for health department inspection
03/08/2005	Contact –Document Received Corporate Documents, Program Statement etc.

III. DESCRIPTION OF FINDINGS & CONCLUSIONS

A. Physical Description of Facility

Gera Road Home is located in a rural setting at 13429 S. Gera Rd. in Birch Run Township. The home is a one story handicapped accessible ranch style house with white aluminum siding and black shutters. The home has a full basement, 2 1/2 car garage, kitchen, dining room, living room, three bathrooms, and three bedrooms. Residents of the facility will not utilize the basement. Primary exits for the facility, in the event the home has to be evacuated, are through the living room and out the front door or out the back door located in the dining room. There is a large deck off the dining room for resident enjoyment. Residents can access the lawn area behind the deck by use of a ramp off the left side of the deck or by stairs located on the right side of the deck. A third door off bedroom 3 also leads to the deck. Only the occupants of room 3 will utilize this door.

The living room is measured at 25.33 feet x 14.58 feet for a total of 61.55 square feet of living space for each resident. Bedroom 1 is measured at 11.75 feet x 12.75 feet for a total bedroom space of 149.81 square feet. This bedroom will have a maximum capacity of two residents. Bedroom 2 is measured at 12.08 feet x 13.33 feet for a total bedroom space of 161.03 square feet. This bedroom will house a maximum capacity of two residents. Bedroom 3 is measured at 18.33 feet x 12.83 feet for a total of 235.17 square feet of bedroom space. Bedroom 3 will house two residents. Bedroom 3 has a large handicapped bathroom. Only the occupants of Bedroom 3 will utilize this bathroom. The other four residents will utilize a second bathroom located off the hall by the bedroom area.

On January 3, 2005, an environmental health inspection was completed by the Saginaw County Health Department. The facility received an A rating.

B. Program Description

Valley Residential Services, Inc., is a nonprofit corporation. Articles of Incorporation for Valley Residential Services, Inc., were duly filed with the State of Michigan on September 16, 1986, and the corporation is validly in existence in the State of Michigan. Valley Residential Services, Inc., holds contracts with community mental health agencies to operate homes and provide staffing. Ms. Nancy Beach is the Executive Director of the Corporation. The corporate board members have approved Ms. Nancy Beach to act on behalf of Valley Residential Services, Inc., in all licensing matters. Ms. Beach has multiple years of experience working with the developmentally disabled, and has completed numerous hours of training to upgrade her skills and expertise in working with the developmentally disabled.

Valley Residential Services' goal for the Gera Road Home Facility is to provide a "least restrictive" quality living environment within the community. The service population for the home will be adults with developmental disabilities and physical impairments. The facility will promote the person centered planning process and actively assist in attaining residents desired outcomes. The facility will foster community awareness and community involvement to the degree desired by the resident. The facility will provide transportation to day program/work setting, appointments, social outings, etc.

Gera Road Home will accept both male and female residents into the home. The home will be licensed for a maximum of six residents.

Valley Residential Services, Inc., will assure trained staff are in the facility when residents are present in the home. Staffing needs will be determined based on individual resident needs in the home.

Community based doctors, dentists, and hospitals will be used to meet the health needs of the residents.

Dialing 911 will access emergency services to the home. Ambulance services are located on Townline Rd. in Bridgeport, Mi., approximately 8 to 10 miles from the home. The Birch Run Fire Department is located approximately 4 miles from the home.

Recreational opportunities for residents of Gera Road Home include the city of Frankenmuth, which has multiple restaurants, several museums, libraries and parks. The city of Birch Run offers several theaters, a library, and shopping opportunities. Saginaw City has several museums, libraries, and shopping malls. and a small zoo for resident enjoyment. Recreational activities provided in the home will be TV, games, puzzles, and opportunities to watch wildlife (deer, etc.) from the back deck of the home. Additional recreational activities will be identified to meet individual resident needs.

To help in determining the good moral character of employees at the facility, it is the policy of Valley Residential Services, Inc. to obtain references from applicants for employment and to conduct criminal history checks on every employee through the Michigan State Police and other police agencies (Federal Bureau of Investigation) in accordance with ACT No. 218 of the Public Acts of 1979 and Public Act 59. Workers with criminal histories that show offenses that evidence a lack of good moral character as defined in the Good Moral Character rule and ACT No.218 of the Public Acts of 1979 are prohibited from providing services to residents of Gera Road Home.

To safeguard resident funds and personal property residents of the facility have the responsibility of managing their own financial affairs and personal property to the limits of their capabilities. Valley Residential Services, Inc. will participate in the management of each resident's personal financial affairs to the extent determined by the Resident Care Agreement, which includes authorization for Valley Residential Services, Inc. involvement, its extent and its restriction. A monthly statement of deposits and withdrawals made to each resident's account will be available upon request from the resident or from parents or guardians. The statement will disclose the nature of the goods or services purchased and the amount. Copies of the monthly statement will be filed in the resident's record. An account of cash not to exceed \$20.00 will be kept on hand for resident personal use throughout the week. Any use of resident funds for other than the individual resident's purpose is strictly forbidden.

C. Rule/Statutory Violations

The study has determined the licensee was in substantial compliance with applicable licensing statutes and administrative rules at the time of licensure.

