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August 3, 2005

Ken Ratzlaff
Beacon Specialized Living Services, Inc.
P.O. Box 69
Bangor, MI 49013

RE: Application #: AM800267888
Breakwater - West
28836 63rd Street
Bangor, MI 49013

Dear Mr. Ratzlaff:

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 10 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) 337-5066.

Sincerely,

Kelly Williams, Licensing Consultant
Office of Children and Adult Licensing
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enclosure

**MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES
OFFICE OF CHILDREN AND ADULT LICENSING
LICENSING STUDY REPORT**

I. IDENTIFYING INFORMATION

License #: AM800267888

Applicant Name: Beacon Specialized Living Services, Inc.

Applicant Address: 28836 63rd Street
Bangor, MI 49013

Applicant Telephone #: (269) 427-8400

Administrator/Licensee Designee: Ken Ratzlaff, Designee

Name of Facility: Breakwater - West

Facility Address: 28836 63rd Street
Bangor, MI 49013

Facility Telephone #: (269) 427-8400
05/14/2004

Application Date:

Capacity: 10

Program Type: MENTALLY ILL
DEVELOPMENTALLY DISABLED
AGED
PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED
TRAUMATICALLY BRAIN INJURED

II. METHODOLOGY

05/14/2004	Enrollment
06/17/2004	Inspection Report Requested - Fire
06/17/2004	Inspection Report Requested - Health
08/23/2004	Inspection Completed-Env. Health : A
02/01/2005	Application Complete/OFS Needed
03/24/2005	Inspection Report Requested - Fire
05/13/2005	Inspection Completed On-site
08/02/2005	Inspection Completed-Fire Safety : A
08/02/2005	Inspection Completed-BFS Full Compliance

III. DESCRIPTION OF FINDINGS & CONCLUSIONS

A. Physical Description of Facility

This is a modification/reduction of an existing 20-bed facility that is being divided into two twin 10-bed facilities. This is the west side of the building. The facility is a large, single story brick building located in rural Bangor, on a campus that has an additional two residential and one recreation building. The facility contains 5 resident bedrooms, two bathrooms, and dining/multi purpose space. The two twin facilities will share, for the time being, a large staff office. Meals are prepared in a commercial kitchen on site. Exits are at grade and therefore wheelchairs can be accommodated.

The Office of Fire Safety gave final approval for the project on 7/28/05. An A rating was issued by the Van Buren County Environmental Health Department on 8/23/04. The licensee has submitted a letter from the Bangor Township Supervisor authorizing the property to be used for a medium group home.

Verification of a lease agreement is on file.

B. Program Description

The licensee is KRF & Co, doing business as Beacon Specialized Living Services, Inc. Ken Ratzlaff is the licensee designee and administrator. KRF operates a number of other adult foster care facilities in Van Buren, Muskegon, Allegan, and Grand Traverse counties. KRF & Co provides specialized residential services to persons with mental illness and/or developmental disabilities in contract with several CMH boards throughout the state. The licensee designee has provided a current certificate of good standing for the corporation as well as requested financial information.

At this facility, the licensee prefers to care for men or women who are at least 18 years of age. The licensee will accept residents with mental illness, developmental disabilities, physical handicaps, traumatic brain injury, or who are aged. Resident care is provided by direct care staff that are trained utilizing the DCH group home curriculum. Nursing, medical, and case management services are also available.

The licensee will provide local transportation as well as some out of county transportation as agreed to in individual contracts. Opportunities for recreation include outings for meals, shopping, concerts, zoo, picnics, local fairs, and the library. In home games, videos, and the recreation building are also available.

The licensing record clearance request indicated no criminal convictions for Mr. Ratzlaff and a review of medical information indicates substantial compliance. The application and support documents indicated substantial compliance with the applicable rules for financial capability of the licensee. Mr. Ratzlaff's administrative competencies are current and on file.

C. Rule/Statutory Violations

All rule compliances were corrected prior to license issuance.

IV. RECOMMENDATION

I recommend issuance of a temporary license to this AFC adult medium group home (capacity 10).

Kelly Williams
Licensing Consultant

Date

Approved By:

Gregory V. Corrigan
Area Manager

Date