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Dear Mr. Bishop:

Pursuant to the Environmental Board's meeting on March 10 with you, this letter is to inform you that the Board voted unanimously to re-affirm their previous decision that a so-called "turnkey" project does come under the provisions of Act 250 if it has ten or more dwelling units.

Additionally, the Board voted unanimously to require the appropriate fee for such projects, but they indicated that this fee will be held in an escrow account; and when indeed the turnkey project is taken over by the Rutland Housing Authority, said fee will be returned. It should be noted that this return of the fee decision is only for housing backed by municipal effort.

Essentially, therefore, your request of February 23 for a declaratory ruling exempting the proposed turnkey project for the Rutland Housing Authority from the provisions of Act 250 is denied.

If I can be of any further assistance, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

ROBERT S. BABCOCK, JR.
Executive Officer
Vermont Environmental Board

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cc: Curtis Carter, Coordinator, District Environmental Commission #6, Rutland
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Robert B. Williams, Secretary, Agency of Environmental Conservation

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