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Dear Sir or Madam:

RE:

WP-12-147, Mount Hebron Overlook

(SDP-12-027)

The Director of the Department of Planning and Zoning considered your request for a waiver from the Howard County Subdivision and Land Development Regulations.

As of the date of this letter, the Planning Director **approved** your request to waive **Section 16.156(g)(2)** which requires the developer to provide information within 45 days of receiving the request from the Subdivision Review Committee so this Committee may decide whether to approve the plan.

Approval is subject to the following conditions:

- 1. The waiver petition number (WP-12-147) and its conditions of approval must be added to the site development plan.
- 2. SDP-12-027 is hereby reactivated. The revised SDP must be submitted within 45 days from the waiver petition approval letter on or before May 18, 2012.

Our decision was made based on the following:

<u>Extraordinary Hardship or Practical Difficulty</u> - The plan complies with the current regulations. The submission of a new plan would not produce a different design. Requiring the submission of a new site development plan would be an inefficient use of the SRC agencies time.

<u>Not Detrimental to the Public Interest</u> - Approval of the waiver request will not alter the essential character of the neighborhood and will not substantially impair the appropriate use or development of the surrounding properties. If the County reactivated the plan, it would not be detrimental to the public since all improvements meet the requirements of the regulations. Also, the submission of a new Site Development Plan will not provide a different design than that design previously approved under SDP-12-027.

<u>Will Not Nullify the Intent or Purpose of the Regulations</u> - Approval of this waiver request will not nullify the intent or purpose of the regulations since the previously approved SDP meets the current regulation requirements. In addition, all the SRC agencies have approved the SDP design.

Indicate this waiver petition file number, request, section of the regulations, action, conditions of approval, and date on all related plats, and site development plans, and building permits. This requested waiver will remain valid for the time period specified in the conditions of approval or as long as this site development plan remains in active processing.

If you have any questions, please contact Brenda Luber at (410) 313-2350 or email at <u>BLuber@howardcountymd.gov</u>.

Sincerely.

Kent Sheubrooks, Chief Division of Land Development

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CC:

Research

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Vogel Engineering, Inc.

NV Homes, Inc. SDP-12-027