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January 18, 2011

Ms. Kathy Miller, Administrator
Elm Springs Independent & Assisted Living Apts.
1011 7th Street
Allison, IA 50602

RE: Final Recertification Monitoring Evaluation Report – Elm Springs Independent & Assisted Living Apts., Allison, IA

Dear Ms. Miller:

Enclosed is the **Final Recertification Monitoring Evaluation Report** completed by the Department of Inspections and Appeals (DIA) in accordance with Iowa Code chapter 231C and Iowa Administrative Code (IAC) chapters 481–67 and 481–69. **No Regulatory Insufficiencies were found during this evaluation.**

The review of the recertification documents you submitted has been completed and are accepted. In addition, the State Fire Marshal's (SFM) inspection report has been received as well as the Facility Engineer's approval of the Evacuation Plans for your program.

Enclosed you will find the Assisted Living Program Certificate **S0095** with effective dates of **September 13, 2010 through September 12, 2012.**

If you have any questions regarding this certification, please contact me at 515/281-7039.

Sincerely,

Rose Boccella

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Program Coordinator
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**Iowa Department of Inspections and Appeals
Assisted Living Program
Final Recertification Monitoring Evaluation Report**

Assisted Living Program:

Kathy Miller, Administrator
Elm Springs Independent and Assisted Living
1011 7th St
Allison, IA 50602

Date of Monitoring Visit:

January 12, 2011

Monitor(s):

Lori Miner, RN BSN

Definitions:

The following definitions are relevant:

Regulatory Insufficiency - A violation of a statutory or rule provision within the Iowa Code or Iowa Administrative Code (IAC) governing assisted living programs. A regulatory insufficiency requires a plan of correction to be presented to, and approved by, the Department of Inspections and Appeals (DIA).

Plan of Correction - A written response to one or more regulatory insufficiencies that are rule violations. IAC r. 481-67.10(5). The plan should identify how, and by a specific date, an insufficiency will be corrected. The plan is due to DIA within ten (10) working days of the program's receipt of a Recertification Monitoring Evaluation Report. Depending on the circumstances, DIA may revisit the assisted living program to confirm progress in fulfilling a plan's corrective measures.

Dementia-specific assisted living program - An assisted living program certified under 481 IAC chapter 69 that: serves fewer than fifty-five (55) tenants and has five (5) or more tenants who have dementia between Stages 4 and 7 on the Global Deterioration Scale or serves 55 or more tenants and 10 percent or more of the tenants have dementia between Stages 4 and 7 on the Global Deterioration Scale or holds itself out as providing specialized care for persons with dementia, such as Alzheimer's disease, in a dedicated setting.

Overview:

An on-site monitoring evaluation was conducted at Elm Springs Independent and Assisted Living on January 12, 2011. In preparing this report, the following information was considered:

Current Program Census:

General Population Program (GPP)* – A program that is not a Dementia Specific program, but may have tenants with cognitive disorder.

Current number of tenants without cognitive disorder:	17
Current number of tenants with cognitive disorder:	2
Total Population:	19

Dementia Specific Program (DSP)* – Not applicable.

***These are the census numbers represented by the program to be applicable at the time of the on-site.**

Tenant/Family Satisfaction Results – A meeting was held with ten tenants. The tenants indicated the building and grounds were clean and sanitary. Housekeeping in the apartments was satisfactory. Activities are plentiful. Some tenants indicated they would like to have more music and sing-alongs. The tenants noted that the food came from the attached care facility. Some meals were seen as better than others. The tenants would like to see more fresh vegetables served. The staff are viewed as good, treating the tenants with respect. Staff are trained to provide the services needed and respond in less than five minutes if needed. The tenants described themselves as making their own decisions. Tenants were generally satisfied with the program and would recommend it to others.

Program History – The program did not receive any regulatory insufficiencies during this certification period.

On-Site Monitoring Evaluation – The monitor(s) made the observations detailed in the following areas. There were no regulatory insufficiencies during this onsite investigation.

Dated this 18th day of January, 2011.