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<u>VIA EMAIL ONLY</u> Mrs. Susan Alford State Director South Carolina Department of Social Services Post Office Box 1520 Columbia, South Carolina 29202-1520

RE: Extension of deadline to provide requested information to the ad hoc committee

Dear Director Alford:

Given the historic flooding in our state and how it has greatly impacted so many, including the closure of state agencies in Richland County, I am extending the deadline the agency has to provide requested information to the ad hoc committee from Wednesday, October 14, to Friday, October 23. This ad hoc committee looks forward to working with you and the agency staff during the legislative oversight process and to receiving the requested information on Friday, October 23, 2015.

Sincerely,



Gary E. Clary Ad Hoc Committee Chair

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VIA EMAIL ONLY Mr. Christian L. Soura State Director South Carolina Department of Health and Human Services Post Office Box 8206 Columbia, South Carolina 29202

RE: Extension of deadline to provide requested information to the ad hoc committee

Dear Director Soura:

I am in receipt of your agency's request to extend the deadline from Wednesday, October 14, to Friday, October 23, to provide the ad hoc committee with requested information. Given the historic flooding in our state and how it has greatly impacted so many, including the closure of state agencies in Richland County, it is without hesitation that I grant the agency's request. This ad hoc committee looks forward to working with you and the agency staff during the legislative oversight process and to receiving the follow up information on Friday, October 23, 2015.

Sincerely,



Gary E. Clary Ad Hoc Committee Chair

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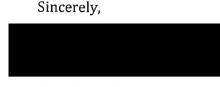
Dear Chairman Clary,

I appreciate the Committee's respectful treatment of subject matter that, as Rep. Ballentine noted during the hearing, is emotionally charged and difficult to handle objectively.

A few hours after concluding my presentation, I met with key staff to discuss the Committee's follow-up questions and to establish the approach and the timeline for obtaining the answers. Several of these questions required that the Department contact the managed care plans and also KEPRO, the Department's contracted quality improvement organization, in order to obtain additional records. We initiated that outreach on the following day.

Unfortunately, this week's historic flooding not only forced the closure of the Department's headquarters in Columbia, but has also seriously impacted the managed care plans and the individual providers who must supply additional information as we prepare our response for the Committee.

Given these obstacles and in the hopes that we will be able to return to our offices on Monday, I respectfully request that the Committee extend its original deadline to the end of the following week: Friday, October 23rd. I appreciate your consideration of this request.



Christian L. Soura Director