BEFORE THE INSURANCE DEPARTMENT OF THE <u>COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA</u>

Statement Regarding the Acquisition of Control of or Merger with Domestic Insurers:

Hospital Service Association of Northeastern Pennsylvania d/b/a Blue Cross of Northeastern Pennsylvania; First Priority Life Insurance Company, Inc.; HMO of Northeastern Pennsylvania, Inc., d/b/a First Priority Health

By Highmark Inc.

BCNEPA RESPONSE TO INFORMATION REQUEST 5.2.14.5 FROM THE PENNSYLVANIA INSURANCE DEPARTMENT

REQUEST 5.2.14.5:

Describe any plans to expand or terminate products or services offered by any and all Highmark and BCNEPA Entities and the competitive effects thereof.

RESPONSE:

BCNEPA certifies to the best of its information, knowledge and belief that that BCNEPA and the BCNEPA Entities, being the entities that will be acquired by or merged into Highmark, do not have any plans to expand or terminate products or services offered as a result of the Transaction.

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