

**BEFORE THE INSURANCE DEPARTMENT  
OF THE  
COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA**

**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 5.6.10 FROM THE  
PENNSYLVANIA INSURANCE DEPARTMENT**

**REQUEST 5.6.10:**

**Identify and assess the magnitude and likelihood of impediments or risks relating to  
the Transaction.**

**RESPONSE:**

BCNEPA certifies to the best of its information, knowledge and belief that all risks relating to the Transaction from BCNEPA's perspective were identified and assessed as part of its confidential and non-confidential responses to the requests under Section 2.1 (Risk analysis issues).

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