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Ms. Bybee,

Attached please find Highmark Inc.'s response to the public comment received by the Pennsylvania Insurance Department from Dr. Terrence Lenahan. I am providing Dr. Lenahan with a copy of the response with this email.

Ron Chronister

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**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., a Pennsylvania nonprofit corporation

**Response of Highmark Inc. to  
Comment of Terrence P. Lenahan Dated September 10, 2014**

Highmark Inc. is responding to the comment from Terrence P. Lenahan, MD, received by the Pennsylvania Insurance Department on September 10, 2014. The comment is numbered as Document 0681 on the Highmark/ BCNEPA Cumulative Log page of the Pennsylvania Insurance Department website.

Dr. Lenahan has offered comments on the proposed merger of Highmark and Blue Cross of Northeastern Pennsylvania (BCNEPA) supportive of the merger based on his experiences as a practicing physician with more than 27 years of experience.

Highmark Inc. is in agreement with the comments. Highmark and BCNEPA are long term business partners whose merger will benefit both patients and doctors in Pennsylvania.

Highmark Inc. would like to thank Dr. Lenahan for his comments and support.

**Highmark Inc.**  
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DATE: September 30, 2014

cc: Terrence P. Lenahan, MD