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Ms. Bybee: I am attaching a response from UPE to the comment received by the Insurance Department from Donald Goughler, President and CEO of Family Services of Western Pennsylvania. I am also copying Mr. Goughler with the response by email at the email address in the email transmitting his comment letter to the Insurance Department.

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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:

Highmark Inc.; First Priority Life Insurance Company, Inc.;  
Gateway Health Plan, Inc.; Highmark Casualty Insurance Company;  
Highmark Senior Resources Inc.; HM Casualty Insurance Company;  
HM Health Insurance Company, d/b/a Highmark Health Insurance Company;  
HM Life Insurance Company; HMO of Northeastern Pennsylvania, Inc.,  
d/b/a First Priority Health; Inter-County Health Plan, Inc.;  
Inter-County Hospitalization Plan, Inc.; Keystone Health Plan West, Inc.;  
United Concordia Companies, Inc.; United Concordia Dental Plans of Pennsylvania, Inc.;  
United Concordia Life and Health Insurance Company

By UPE, a Pennsylvania nonprofit corporation

**Response of UPE to  
Comment of Donald Goughler Dated March 2, 2012**

UPE is responding to the comment from Donald Goughler received by the Pennsylvania Insurance Department March 2, 2012. The comment is numbered as Document 0193 on the Highmark/ West Penn Cumulative Log page of the Pennsylvania Insurance Department website.

Mr. Goughler, President and Chief Executive Officer of Family Services of Western Pennsylvania and a member of the Western Pennsylvania Hospital Community Partnership, has stated his support for the proposed affiliation of Highmark Inc. ("Highmark") and West Penn Allegheny Health System ("WPAHS"). Mr. Goughler states that by preserving access to WPAHS, the people of the surrounding communities will be benefits.

UPE is in agreement with the comments of Mr. Goughler and believes the proposed affiliation is essential to preserving these valuable community resources for the people of Western Pennsylvania.

UPE would like to thank the Mr. Goughler for his comments and support.

**UPE**  
120 Fifth Avenue  
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DATE: March 12, 2012

cc: Donald H. Goughler