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April 17, 2012
Hearing Officer
Mr. Robert Brackbill
Chief, Company Licensing Division
1345 Strawberry Square
Harrisburg, PA 17120

Dear Sir:

I want you to know that I support the proposed affiliation of Highmark and West Penn Allegheny Health System (WPAHS). Here are the reasons why:

- I believe this affiliation will set an example of how to improve the U.S. health care system.
- I believe this affiliation will help not only southwestern Pennsylvanians, but also will serve to expand access to doctors and hospitals and help to rein in health care costs.
- I believe this affiliation will deliver value, choice and high-quality health care.
- I believe this affiliation will help preserve thousands of jobs in the West Penn Allegheny Health System.

For these reasons, I ask the Pennsylvania Insurance Department to approve Highmark's filing as soon as possible.

Sincerely,

Laura and Richard Gerber

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