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 2.1.9 FROM <u>THE PENNSYLVANIA INSURANCE DEPARTMENT</u>

REQUEST 2.1.9:

Provide a full and complete description of the nature and amount of any Financial Commitments to be assumed or undertaken by any Highmark Entity in connection with the Transaction including under the Merger Agreement. For any Financial Commitments that are contingent or unliquidated, describe the process by which (including all Expert Opinions) Highmark determined the amount or exposure of such Financial Commitments.

RESPONSE:

BCNEPA certifies to the best of its information, knowledge and belief that it interprets this request as being directed to Highmark and therefore BCNEPA will not be providing a substantive response.

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