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 2.4.6 FROM THE PENNSYLVANIA INSURANCE DEPARTMENT

REQUEST 2.4.6:

Provide any analysis of presentation materials, together with a copy thereof, made to Highmark's Board of Directors in consideration of alternatives for evaluating BCNEPA's rights with regard to FPLIC and FPH, including any relevant analyses regarding Highmark's consideration of strategic / operational alternatives related to Highmark's presence in the Northeastern Pennsylvania service area.

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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