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.

HIGHMARK INC. ("Highmark") RESPONSE TO INFORMATION REQUEST 5.2.18.5 FROM THE PENNSYLVANIA INSURANCE DEPARTMENT

REQUEST 5.2.18.5:

Please identify all providers with which any Joint Venture contracts (separated by Joint Venture) and the employers with which any Joint Venture contracts.

(A) Are there separate contracts with the same provider where both BCNEPA and a Joint Venture contract with that provider? If so, please specify these.

RESPONSE:

Highmark certifies that the Joint Ventures' contracts with providers and employers are administered by BCNEPA. Highmark therefore will not be providing a substantive response. It expects that BCNEPA will provide a separate response.

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