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 5.1.5 FROM THE PENNSYLVANIA INSURANCE DEPARTMENT

REQUEST 5.1.5:

Identify any other factors or circumstances that affect the ability (or will affect the ability after the Transaction is completed) for each Highmark Entity and BCNEPA Entity licensed in Pennsylvania to meet requirements for obtaining a license to write insurance in Pennsylvania.

RESPONSE:

BCNEPA certifies that to the best of it knowledge, information, and belief that it is not aware of any other factors or circumstances that affect the ability (or will affect the ability after the Transaction is completed) for each BCNEPA Entity licensed in Pennsylvania to meet requirements for obtaining a license to write insurance in Pennsylvania.

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