

**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 5.5 FROM
THE PENNSYLVANIA INSURANCE DEPARTMENT**

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In addition to information otherwise requested in this PID Request for Information that may be relevant to the issues addressed in this Section, provide the following information relating to 40 P.S. § 991.1402(f)(1)(v) - :The competence, experience and integrity of those persons who would control the operation of the insurer are such that it would not be in the interest of the policyholders and of the public to permit the merger, consolidation or other acquisition of control."

RESPONSE:

Highmark certifies that to the best of its knowledge, information and belief, there is no information that may be relevant to the issues addressed in 40 P.S. § 991.1402(f)(1)(v) which is not set forth in the biographical affidavits for senior management and members of the Board of Directors of Highmark that are currently on file with the Department. Updated biographical affidavits will be filed if and when necessary.

Updated biographical affidavits for the four members of the BCNEPA Board of Directors who are selected to serve on the Highmark Board of Directors following closing of the Merger will be filed, if necessary, at the time those individuals are selected.

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