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Ms. Marlene Caride Commissioner New Jersey Department of Banking and Insurance 20 West State Street, PO Box 325 Trenton, NJ 08625-035

Dear Commissioner Caride,

Thank you for your letter regarding New Jersey's readiness to operate a State-based Exchange (SBE) for the Plan Year 2021 open enrollment period. We recognize this means that New Jersey will no longer be an SBE operating on the Federal Platform (SBE-FP) and will not utilize the Federally-facilitated Exchange platform for Plan Year 2021.

CMS will continue to provide technical assistance to New Jersey during this transition, as New Jersey continues to build toward being able to carry out all required functions of an SBE using its own platform for eligibility and enrollment. Through this letter, we acknowledge you will have the capability to determine eligibility and enroll consumers in qualified health plans beginning with this upcoming open enrollment period.

Thank you,

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