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VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL: Tim.Jahnke@state.mn.us

Tim Jahnke
Chief Financial Officer and Director of Administrative Services
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Dear Director Jahnke:

On October 19, 2017, the Department of Health and Human Services and the Department of the Treasury (the Departments) approved Minnesota's section 1332 waiver. Minnesota's application sought to waive the requirement under section 1312(c)(1) to consider all enrollees in a market to be part of a single risk pool, to the extent it would otherwise require excluding total expected state reinsurance payments when establishing the market-wide index rate in order to implement the Minnesota Premium Security Program (MPSP) for 2018 and future years. It is the Department of the Treasury's final administrative determination that Minnesota's pass-through funding amount is \$130,719,696 for calendar year 2018.

If you have any questions regarding program matters or official correspondence concerning the waiver, please contact Robert Yates at <u>Robert.Yates@cms.hhs.gov</u>, Lina Rashid at <u>Lina.Rashid@cms.hhs.gov</u> or <u>stateinnovationwaivers@cms.hhs.gov</u>.

Sincerely,

Randy Pate

Director, Center for Consumer Information and Insurance Oversight Deputy Administrator, Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services

Cc: David Kautter, Assistant Secretary for Tax Policy, U.S. Department of the Treasury The Honorable Mark Dayton, Governor of Minnesota Jessica Looman, Commissioner, Minnesota Department of Commerce

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January 26, 2018

VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL: jessica.looman@state.mn.us

Ms. Jessica Looman Commissioner Minnesota Department of Commerce 85 7th Place East, Suite 280 Saint Paul, MN 55101

Dear Commissioner Looman:

On September 22, 2017, the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) and the Department of the Treasury (collectively, the Departments) approved Minnesota's Section 1332 waiver application. Minnesota's application sought waiver of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (PPACA) requirement for the single risk pool in order to implement the Minnesota Premium Security Plan (MPSP). The Departments granted Minnesota's application to waive the single risk pool requirement in the individual market under section 1312(c)(1) of the PPACA, to the extent it would otherwise require excluding total expected State reinsurance payments when establishing the market-wide index rate for the purposes described in the state's application.

In the letter, the Departments described that the amount of pass-through funding for calendar years 2018 through 2022 will be calculated by the Departments annually (per PPACA section 1332(a)(3)) and reported to the State. The pass-through funding for calendar year 2018 is estimated to be \$130,719,696. This amount will be subject to a final administrative determination by the Department of the Treasury prior to payment.

If you have any questions regarding program matters or official correspondence concerning the waiver please contact Rachel Arguello at Rachel.Arguello@cms.hhs.gov or stateinnovationwaivers@cms.hhs.gov.

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