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VIA EMAIL ONLY

Mrs. Susan Alford
State Director
South Carolina Department of Social Services
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Columbia, South Carolina 29202-1520

RE: Extension of deadline to provide requested information to the ad hoc committee

Dear Director Alford:

Given the historic flooding in our state and how it has greatly impacted so many, including the closure of state agencies in Richland County, I am extending the deadline the agency has to provide requested information to the ad hoc committee from Wednesday, October 14, to Friday, October 23. This ad hoc committee looks forward to working with you and the agency staff during the legislative oversight process and to receiving the requested information on Friday, October 23, 2015.

Sincerely,

Signature Redacted

Gary E. Clary
Ad Hoc Committee Chair

cc: The Honorable Wm. Weston J. Newton
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Mr. Christian L. Soura
State Director
South Carolina Department of Health and Human Services
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RE: Extension of deadline to provide requested information to the ad hoc committee

Dear Director Soura:

I am in receipt of your agency's request to extend the deadline from Wednesday, October 14, to Friday, October 23, to provide the ad hoc committee with requested information. Given the historic flooding in our state and how it has greatly impacted so many, including the closure of state agencies in Richland County, it is without hesitation that I grant the agency's request. This ad hoc committee looks forward to working with you and the agency staff during the legislative oversight process and to receiving the follow up information on Friday, October 23, 2015.

Sincerely,

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Gary E. Clary
Ad Hoc Committee Chair

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Hon. Gary E. Clary
Chairman, Ad Hoc Committee
House Legislative Oversight Committee
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Columbia, SC 29201

VIA EMAIL ONLY

Dear Chairman Clary,

I appreciate the Committee's respectful treatment of subject matter that, as Rep. Ballentine noted during the hearing, is emotionally charged and difficult to handle objectively.

A few hours after concluding my presentation, I met with key staff to discuss the Committee's follow-up questions and to establish the approach and the timeline for obtaining the answers. Several of these questions required that the Department contact the managed care plans and also KEPRO, the Department's contracted quality improvement organization, in order to obtain additional records. We initiated that outreach on the following day.

Unfortunately, this week's historic flooding not only forced the closure of the Department's headquarters in Columbia, but has also seriously impacted the managed care plans and the individual providers who must supply additional information as we prepare our response for the Committee.

Given these obstacles and in the hopes that we will be able to return to our offices on Monday, I respectfully request that the Committee extend its original deadline to the end of the following week: Friday, October 23rd. I appreciate your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

Signature Redacted

Christian L. Soura
Director