

December 7, 2015

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

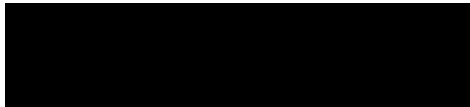
Dear Chairman Clary,

On November 16, 2015, I sent you a letter in which I responded to the Committee's request for additional information on the treatment settings in which abortions were performed, based upon the condition that had been identified as presenting a threat to the life of the mother. Last week, the Committee requested additional information on Item #17, as identified in my November 16<sup>th</sup> letter.

The summary presented in the November letter identified "Multiple lethal anomalies, anhydromnios" as the reason recorded. As discussed on December 1<sup>st</sup>, this explanation would not primarily relate to the mother's health. The abortion statement attached to the medical record for this case offered this more complete explanation: "multiple lethal anomalies, anhydromnios, placental insufficiency, remote from viability placing mother at risk for severe pre-eclampsia syndrome." This more complete explanation was deemed to have satisfied the Hyde Amendment test.

Please feel free to contact me with any additional questions.

Sincerely,



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Director