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RE: Request for extension of Closing Date and End Date under the Terms of  
Certification Governing the Certificate of Public Advantage Issued to Ballad  
Health

Dear Bob and Claire:

Commissioner Dreyzehner and General Slatery are in receipt of the request by Mountain State Health Alliance and Wellmont Health System (the Applicants), pursuant to Section 9.13 of the Terms of Certification, to extend the End Date to January 31, 2018 and further to agree that the issuance of the Certificate of Public Advantage occur on or before January 31, 2018. The Applicants have made this request in order to afford sufficient time to obtain final approval and issuance of the quantitative measures by the Commissioner of the Virginia Department of Health as required by the Virginia Commissioner's Order dated October 30, 2017.

The Commissioner and General Slatery have determined that, under the circumstances, such an extension is appropriate and the request should be granted. Accordingly, in accordance with the provisions of Section 9.13 of the Terms of Certification, the Commissioner and General Slatery hereby approve the Applicants' request that the End Date be extended to January 31, 2018. The Commissioner and General Slatery further hereby approve the Applicants' request that the issuance of the Certificate of Public Advantage occur on or before January 31, 2018; provided, however, that the Applicants fully comply with all of the provisions set forth in Section 9.13 and the conditions set forth in the Commissioner's September 19, 2017 letter approving the Applicants' Application for a Certificate of Public Advantage.

Sincerely,

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