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Refer to: FOIA Control Number 0307 2012 7082
Legal Case: 0:12-cv-03065-JRT-TNL \ Public Record Media, LLC v.
U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

Via Overnight Mail

Mr. Matt Ehling
Public Record Media, LLC
2375 University Avenue West
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Saint Paul, Minnesota 55114

Dear Mr. Ehling:

This letter is an interim response to your February 22, 2012 Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request and your subsequent April 23, 2012 administrative appeal, which you submitted to the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS). Within your request, you sought the following agency records:

Any and all memoranda, correspondence, or communications, in paper or electronic form, between employees or official of CMS, and Minnesota State Senator John Marty;

Any and all memoranda, correspondence, or communications, in paper or electronic form, between employees and/or officials of CMS related to Minnesota State Senator John Marty;

Any and all memoranda, correspondence, or communications, in paper or electronic form, between employees and/or officials of CMS, produced between January 1, 2011 and February 1, 2012, related to determinations made by your agency about Minnesota's 1115 Medicaid waiver status.

Upon receiving your request, CMS sent your request to the Center for Medicaid and CHIP Services (CMCS), Division of State Demonstrations & Waivers for search, as the likely repository of the requested records. As a result of that search, we are providing the enclosed CD, which contains approximately 20 megabytes of data, encompassed within 229 files and 63 folders. The records are being released to you in their entirety, without edits or redactions.

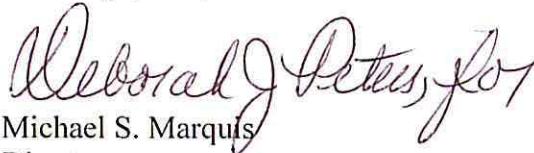
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We regret any delays that may have occurred in processing your FOIA request. We are continuing to process your request, and are currently reviewing the remaining responsive records provided by the program area.

If you have any further questions regarding this interim response, or wish to further discuss your FOIA request, you may contact either Christopher Hammond in the Office of the General Counsel, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services at [REDACTED], or Ann Bildtsen, Assistant U.S. Attorney, U.S. Department of Justice at [REDACTED].

We appreciate your time and cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely yours,



Michael S. Marquis
Director
Division of Freedom of Information

Enclosures

cc: Jonathan T. Haines, Esq.
Christopher Hammond, Esq. (via email)