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Mr. L. Timothy Terry
Chief Deputy Attorney General
Nevada Department of Justice
100 North Carson Street
Carson City, Nevada 89701

Dear Mr. Terry:

The Office of Inspector General (OIG) of the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) has received your request to review the Nevada False Claims Act, Nev. Rev. Stat. §§ 357.010 - 357.250, as amended by the Nev. S.B. 529 on June 13, 2007, under the requirements of section 6031(b) of the Deficit Reduction Act (DRA). Section 6031 of the DRA provides a financial incentive for states to enact laws that establish liability to the state for individuals and entities that submit false or fraudulent claims to the state Medicaid program. For a state to qualify for this incentive, the state law must meet certain requirements enumerated under section 6031(b) of the DRA, as determined by the Inspector General of HHS in consultation with the Department of Justice (DOJ). Based on our review of the law and in consultation with DOJ, we have determined that the Nevada False Claims Act meets the requirements of section 6031(b) of the DRA.

Please note that a state that has a law in effect that meets the requirements of section 6031(b) of the DRA will be deemed in compliance with such requirements for so long as the law continues to meet such requirements. We would appreciate it if you would notify OIG of any amendment to the Nevada False Claims Act within 30 days after such amendment.

If you have any questions regarding this review, please contact me, or have your staff contact Karla Hampton at 202-619-2078 or karla.hampton@oig.hhs.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Daniel R. Levinson".

Daniel R. Levinson
Inspector General

cc: Aaron Blight, CMS