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Present: Olga Escobedo, Marty Coleman and Margaret Lazaretti represented HWCN Division; Justin Beam represented Legal.

TOPIC	DISCUSSION/ACTION	FOLLOW-UP
Antitrust Statement	Marty Coleman read the antitrust plan.	
Exhibit 18 Discussion	Marty Coleman was presenter.	
	We have talked about exhibit 18 a couple of times. What I'll do today is share with you what we have been seeing in the exhibit 18's, whether it is in an original application or a service area expansion, and open the call up for any questions you may have on exhibit 18.	
	One of the things we are seeing recently is we are not seeing maps with key and scale. Some times the maps have the key, some times they have the scale, but recently we have seen several submissions that don't include a key and scale as required by the Texas Administrative Code (TAC). Again, the requirements that we review exhibit 18 by are clearly identified in section 10.60 of the TAC. That is one of the main issues we have seen lately.	
	The other issue is the exhibits within, or attachments within exhibit 18 (different applications are labeled differently). If you would	

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	clearly label what you put in exhibit 18. For example I looked at an application yesterday that had exhibit 18 and had attachments on it. On the front page it said attachment B-2 would be so and so. Well, there was an attachment in the exhibit, but it was not labeled B-2. So the table of contents said B-2 but the actual document did not say that was attachment B-2. So this causes us confusion and slows down the review. So in an effort to speed up the review I would ask that you clearly label any exhibits or attachments that are part of exhibit 18. That is all I have, so if anyone has any questions regarding exhibit 18, not limited to what I spoke about today, but any questions at all, we will be glad to answer them.	
Exhibit 11 – Network Configuration	Olga Escobedo was presenter. I am happy to report that the exhibit 11 documentation gets better and better every time we see it. That is always good for us, that means we can get exhibit 11 approved quicker. There are some common errors and omissions in exhibit 11. I'm working on putting a list together so that future applicants for service area modifications and for new applications can look at this and send in the "perfect" exhibit 11. We have, in the past, talked about the "perfect"	

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	exhibit 11. Two or three weeks ago we talked about the "perfect" exhibit 11. We provided some tips about exhibit 11, and what to do and what not to do.	
	If anyone has any questions about exhibit 11, we will be happy to answer them now. But meanwhile I am working on the list for everyone to see.	
	Any questions?	
	If there are no questions, then I am also here to report there are 17 certified Chapter 1305 networks. We have approved 4 service area expansion applications. So that is a nice number, and we are getting close on a few more. Hopefully we have more done in a week or two.	
Open for Questions and Discussion	 Q: Did the quality improvement program report information ever get posted, and if so, where. A: It has not been posted and we are working on getting it up. I know we said that last week, but we are still having some difficulties. We will be posting it soon, as we are headed for a deadline. 	
	Are there any other questions? Any suggestions for any other topics? If anyone has any exciting topics you would like for us to address, we would be so grateful if you would send them.	

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	 Q: I would like to know more about what is allowable for access plans. A: When you say what is allowable, what do you mean? Q: I would like a better understanding of how they can be used to meet deficiencies within the network. I know you can't have an urban area and not have a hospital in it. Are there other restrictions like that? A: At this time, we don't consider it a restriction. We consider it an accessibility issue. At this point, that is all we have to report on urban counties. We would be more than happy to talk about it next week. Not hearing any other questions or suggestions, we will adjourn this call. Everyone have a happy Friday tomorrow. 	