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Office of the Governor

December 14, 2012

The Honorable Kathleen Sebelius
Secretary of Health and Human Services
U. S. Department of Health and Human Services
200 Independence Avenue, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20201

Dear Secretary Sebelius:

As you are aware, with bi-partisan support from the 2011 session of the State Legislature (Senate Bill 440), Nevada established the *Silver State Health Insurance Exchange Board* to create a state-based exchange. Nevada continues to move forward with development of a state-based exchange, despite a lack of federal regulations and a number of unanswered questions surrounding data verification through the Federal Data Services Hub.

Assuming issues with the Federal Data Services Hub and other unanswered questions are satisfactorily resolved, Nevada – through the Silver State Health Insurance Exchange Board -- intends to operate a state-based insurance exchange and perform Advance Premium Tax Credit and Cost Sharing Reduction eligibility determinations. The State's determination regarding reinsurance and risk adjustment will be submitted at a later date.

The Executive Director for the Silver State Health Insurance Exchange is designated as the primary point of contact and is authorized to submit the Exchange Application; his contact information is, as follows:

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Should you need any additional information regarding Nevada's application, please feel free to contact Mr. Hager.

Sincere regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Sandoval", written in a cursive style.

BRIAN SANDOVAL
Governor

cc: Gary Cohen, CCIIO Director
Jon Hager, Silver State Health Insurance Exchange