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Dear Ms. Johnson:

This State Plan Amendment (SPA) submission contains the required documents to request that the Healthy Indiana Plan (HIP), currently operated under an 1115 waiver, be the coverage vehicle for the newly eligible in 2014.

Despite our repeated attempts to get direction from CMS on how to proceed in order to continue HIP, we have not received any formal guidance. Former FSSA Secretary Anne Murphy sent letters to CMS on May 17, 2010 and August 30, 2010. Governor Mitch Daniels also sent a letter to HHS Secretary Sebelius on January 14<sup>th</sup> 2011 asking for a response by February 28<sup>th</sup>. To date, we have not received a response to these requests.

We submit this SPA and hope it will provide us a vehicle to discuss the future of HIP and our current 1115 waiver. Thank you for your consideration of this SPA submission.

Regards,

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