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OFFICE OF DIRECTOR

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TO <i>Roberts</i>	DATE <i>12-13-12</i>
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DIRECTOR'S USE ONLY	ACTION REQUESTED
1. LOG NUMBER <i>000178</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> Prepare reply for the Director's signature DATE DUE _____
2. DATE SIGNED BY DIRECTOR <i>cc: Mr. Heck, Singleton, Kost, Supra</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> Prepare reply for appropriate signature DATE DUE _____
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December 5, 2012

VIA USPS AND EMAIL

Mr. Anthony Keck, Director
Medicaid Program
Department of Health and Human Services
P. O. Box 8206
Columbia, SC 29202
keck@scdhhs.gov

Re: Abbott Laboratories, Inc. ("Abbott"); Average Wholesale Price ("AWP") settlement

Dear Mr. Keck:

This office has reached a settlement with Abbott concerning the reporting of false and inflated AWP's. I am pleased to inform you that the South Carolina Medicaid Program's portion of the settlement is \$1,685,369.89. These funds consist of \$1,212,536.30 in federal-share funds and \$472,833.60 in state-share funds. For CMS reporting purposes, these funds are the net funds remaining after deductions for administrative costs of \$378,168.73 in attorneys' fees and \$25,453.77 in attorneys' costs. My finance division will contact your finance division concerning the interagency transfer.

I wish to thank you, Rick Hepfer, Byron Roberts, Jim Assey, Rod Davis, and the numerous other members of your office who have assisted with this suit, and I look forward to successful cooperation with your office on future matters.

If you have any questions relating to this matter, please feel free to contact Assistant Deputy Attorney General C. Havird Jones, Jr., the attorney in charge of this matter, at (803) 734-3680 or me at (803) 734-3656.

Sincerely,

Alan Wilson

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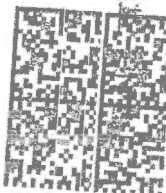
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