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OFFICE OF DIRECTOR

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Re-log from Hutto to Liggett... see attached notes. RM 3-17-15.

TO <i>Liggett</i>	DATE <i>3-9-15</i>
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PO Box 8206
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Re: Notice of Appeal In the Matter of Guess Community Services, Inc.
Reference #: 643EHR2NEIE8JPB
Medicaid Claims Control System
Medicaid Provider Enrollment

To Whom It May Concern,

Please allow this letter to serve as Guess Community Services, Inc.'s notice, through his undersigned counsel of record, of Appeal in the above-referenced matter.

The agency issued its denial order on February 7th, 2015, and pursuant to the South Carolina Code of Regulations § 126-152(A) Guess Community Services, Inc. has 30 days to file its notice of appeal. Therefore this notice of appeal is timely.

The following information is provided in accordance with the South Carolina Code of Regulations § 126-152(B):

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Provider has the ability to appeal this denial of enrollment in the Medicaid program in accordance with appeals policy established under State Regulations chapter 126 Article 1, Subarticle 3.

Please find enclosed the letter denying the Medicaid enrollment application and a Certificate of Service to Christian L. Soura, Director of South Carolina Department of Health and Human Services.

Respectfully Submitted,



Bakari Sellers

THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
ADMINISTRATIVE LAW COURT

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 The South Carolina Department of)
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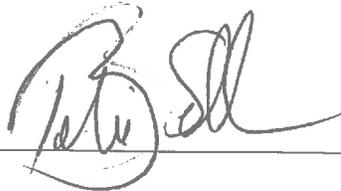
The undersigned employee of Strom Law Firm, LLC does hereby certify that he/she has served a copy of the below referenced document(s) in the above captioned case on the below referenced individual(s), entity by depositing the same by first class postage in the United States Mail on the 6 th day of March, 2015.

Documents:

Notice of Appeal from a Final Agency Order

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February 6, 2015
 MB# 15-005

MEDICAID BULLETIN

TO: Applicants for Enrollment as Rehabilitative Behavioral Health Services (RBHS) Providers

SUBJECT: RBHS Provider Enrollment Moratorium

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Any pending or new provider applications subject to the moratorium will be denied. Application fees will be refunded for affected entities that filed applications prior to the date of this bulletin.

SCDHHS will provide subsequent notice regarding the status of the moratorium.

Please contact the Provider Service Center at (888) 289-0709 for any questions regarding this moratorium.

/s/
 Christian L. Saura
 Interim Director

Jimmy Guess

From: "Jimmy Guess" <jimmyguess@bellsouth.net>
Date: Wednesday, February 11, 2015 12:26 PM
Subject: Fw: 643EHR2NEIE8JPB SC DHHS Provider Enrollment Status Change

From: no-reply@scdhhs.gov
Sent: Saturday, February 07, 2015 8:46 AM
To: jimmyguess@bellsouth.net
Subject: 643EHR2NEIE8JPB SC DHHS Provider Enrollment Status Change

South Carolina Department of Health & Human Services

Date: 02/07/15

GUESS COMMUNITY SERVICES, INC.
3497 Main Highway
Bamberg, SC, 29003-1866

Reference #: 643EHR2NEIE8JPB

Dear Provider:

South Carolina Medicaid Provider Enrollment received and reviewed your Medicaid enrollment application. We have denied your application for the following reason:

Additional Note for provider: Effective immediately the South Carolina Department of Health and Human Services (SCDHHS) is imposing a moratorium on the enrollment of Rehabilitative Behavioral Health Services providers. On February 5, 2015, SCDHHS received concurrence from the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) to exercise the agency's authority under Section 1902 of the Social Security Act and regulations at 42 CFR 455.470 to impose this moratorium. The application fee will be refunded. SCDHHS will provide subsequent notice regarding the status of the moratorium. Please contact the Provider Service Center at (888) 289-0709 for any questions regarding this moratorium.

You have the right to appeal a denial of enrollment in the Medicaid program, in accordance with the appeals policy established under State Regulations Chapter 126 Article 1, Subarticle 3. The written request for a hearing should be sent to:

Division of Appeals and Hearings
Department of Health and Human Services
PO Box 8206
Columbia, SC 29202-8206

If you have any questions or need information, please contact Medicaid Provider Enrollment at (888)289-0709, Option 4.

2/11/2015

Sincerely,

Medicaid Provider Enrollment

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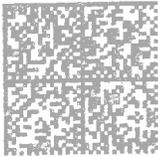
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Log # 200 ✓

Brenda James

From: Annie McCanne
Sent: Tuesday, April 14, 2015 8:25 AM
To: Libby Powers; Brenda James
Subject: RE: Log Letter 000200 - Outstanding

I do have this. I forwarded this on to Ann-Marie's area.

I'll talk to Ann-Marie and Shealy to determine if we should draft a response or just close with the hearing date and information.

Thanks,
Annie

Annie McCanne
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From: Libby Powers
Sent: Monday, April 13, 2015 4:52 PM
To: Brenda James
Cc: Annie McCanne
Subject: RE: Log Letter 000200 - Outstanding

I believe so. I brought the original up to be re-logged a day when you were headed out to an appointment and you were going to re-log to Pete the next day.

Annie should have the blue original.

Annie can you confirm?

Thanks.

Libby Powers
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From: Brenda James
Sent: Monday, April 13, 2015 4:44 PM
To: Libby Powers
Cc: Annie McCanne; Shealy Reibold
Subject: RE: Log Letter 000200 - Outstanding

Is Annie aware of this yet? bj

Brenda James
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From: Libby Powers
Sent: Monday, April 13, 2015 4:24 PM
To: Brenda James
Cc: Annie McCanne; Shealy Reibold
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Brenda,

This log letter was reassigned to Pete's area, although the case is being handled in Appeals.

Thanks.

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Close Log 200



Annie McCanne

From: Ann-Marie Dwyer, MSW, LISW-CP
Sent: Thursday, April 30, 2015 2:14 PM
To: Annie McCanne; Shealy Reibold
Subject: RE: Log 200

It makes sense to me to close it as it is in appeal but I defer to Shealy as the legal eagle.
Thanks all,

Ann-Marie Dwyer, MSW, LISW-CP

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From: Annie McCanne
Sent: Thursday, April 30, 2015 1:41 PM
To: Shealy Reibold; Ann-Marie Dwyer, MSW, LISW-CP
Subject: Log 200

See attached. Would it be appropriate to close this log due to the on-going appeal or do we need to send a written response?

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Annie McCanne

From: Shealy Reibold
Sent: Thursday, April 30, 2015 3:57 PM
To: Annie McCanne
Subject: RE: Log 200

We have it down here; it is scheduled for a hearing on 5/13.

I don't know there is any reason to keep a log letter open for a response unless the director would like to send one.

Shealy Reibold

Program Manager, Division of Appeals and Hearings

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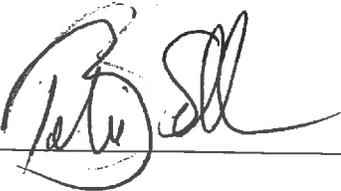
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February 6, 2015
MB# 15-005

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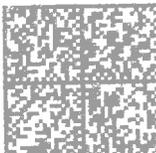
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