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1. LOG NUMBER <i>000636</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> Prepare reply for the Director's signature DATE DUE _____
2. DATE SIGNED BY DIRECTOR <i>cc: Singleton, Wells</i> <i>cleared 7/13/07 after</i> <i>attached.</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Prepare reply for appropriate signature DATE DUE <i>4-19-07</i> <input type="checkbox"/> FOIA DATE DUE _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Necessary Action

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April 5, 2007

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Mr. Robert M. Kerr, Director

South Carolina Department of Health & Human Services

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Department of Health & Human Services
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Dear Mr. Kerr:

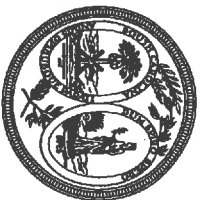
This letter is in response to your request for approval of the Medicaid contract for the South Carolina Medically Fragile Children's Program. We now understand the program that the Medicaid Agency is operating, and it will take some time for the Agency to restructure the program under an acceptable arrangement. Therefore, the State should provide to CMS a contract with an MCO entity to provide these services by September 30, 2008. Also, at the end of the time period, we would like for the State to provide to CMS a formal evaluation of the program both for quality and cost effectiveness.

If you have any questions concerning this, please call Elaine Elmore at 404-562-7408.

Sincerely,

Renard L. Murray

Renard L. Murray, D.M.
Associate Regional Administrator
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July 13, 2007

Renard L. Murray, D.M.
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Dear Mr. Murray:

Thank you for the notification of the need to restructure the Medically Fragile Children's Program into an arrangement that will fit into the program structures which are presently approved by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS). Ms. Beverly G. Hamilton, Division Director for Care Management, has spoken with Ms. Elaine Elmore in order to clarify the concerns and will explore available options to restructure the program by September 30, 2008. We will also provide CMS with the formal evaluation of this program related to quality and cost effectiveness as requested.

Thank you for your interest in the South Carolina Medically Fragile Children's Program. If you have any additional questions regarding this program, please contact Beverly Hamilton at (803) 898-4502.

Sincerely,

Susan B. Bowling
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Acting Director

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