

**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
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TO <i>Singleton</i>	DATE <i>8-18-08</i>
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1. LOG NUMBER <i>J00095</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> Prepare reply for the Director's signature DATE DUE _____
2. DATE SIGNED BY DIRECTOR <i>cc: Ms. Farkner, Depo</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> Prepare reply for appropriate signature DATE DUE _____
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Emma Forkner, Director
South Carolina Department of Health and Human Services
P.O. Box 8306
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Dear Ms. Forkner:

This is in response to your letter dated July 15, 2008, requesting that the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) review and approve a proposed Request For Proposal (RFP) for a replacement Medicaid Management Information system (MMIS) Pharmacy Benefit Administration system.

I am pleased to inform you that CMS approves the Department's request in accordance with 45 CFR Part 95.605 (B), and the State Medicaid Manual (SMM), Part 11. The State is reminded that a full copy of the proposed contract, plus completed scoring documents, must be submitted to the Regional Office for approval in order to claim Federal Financial Participation. Official announcement of contract award must not be made until you have received the formal decision of CMS.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact David Hinson at (404) 562-7411 or Lawrence.hinson@cms.hhs.gov

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Mary Kaye Justis'.

Mary Kaye Justis, RN, MBA
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Division of Medicaid & Children's Health Operations