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Dear Mr. Douglas:

Enclosed is an approved copy of California State plan amendment (SPA) No. 09-009, effective July 1, 2009. This SPA implements adds a new coverage group for individuals who qualify as blind under Titles II and XVI of the Social Security Act through the use of more liberal income and resource methodologies under Section 1902(r)(2) of the Social Security Act. This SPA adds pages 9c and 9c1 to Attachment 2.2A and page 6a to Attachment 2.6A.

If you have any questions please contact Michelle Baldi at (415) 744-3656.

Sincerely,

for Gloria Nagle, Ph.D., M.P.A.
Associate Regional Administrator
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cc: Kathryn Waje, California Department of Health Care Services
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