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Region VIII

March 27, 2012

Susan E. Birch, MBA, BSN, RN, Executive Director Department of Health Care Policy & Financing 1570 Grant Street Denver, CO 80203-1818

RE: Colorado #11-051

Dear Ms. Birch:

We have reviewed the proposed State Plan Amendment (SPA) submitted under transmittal number (TN) 11-051. This SPA implements a simplified process for clients to apply for Medicaid using express lane eligibility.

Please be informed that this State Plan Amendment was approved on March 23, 2012 with an effective date of October 14, 2011. We are enclosing the CMS-179 and the amended plan page(s).

If you have any questions concerning this amendment, please contact Diane Dunstan-Murphy at (303) 844-7040.

Sincerely,

/s/

Richard C. Allen Associate Regional Administrator Division for Medicaid & Children's Health Operations

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