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Division of Medicaid & Children's Health, Region VI

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Our Reference: SPA-LA-09-08

Mr. Jerry Phillips, State Medicaid Director Department of Health and Hospitals Bienville Building 628 North 4th Street Post Office Box 91030 Baton Rouge, LA 70821-9030

Dear Mr. Phillips:

We have reviewed the proposed amendment to your Medicaid State Plan submitted under Transmittal Number 09-08. This amendment reduces the number of hours authorized for Long Term personal care services.

Transmittal Number 09-08 is approved with an effective date of March 1, 2009 as requested. A copy of the HCFA-179, Transmittal No. 09-08 dated March 3, 2009 is enclosed along with the approved plan pages.

If you have any questions, please contact Cheryl Rupley at (214) 767-6278.

Sincerely,

/s/

Bill Brooks Associate Regional Administrator

Enclosures