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Region VIII

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Maggie Anderson, Medicaid Director Medical Services Division North Dakota Department of Human Services 600 East Boulevard Avenue, Dept. 325 Bismarck, ND 58505-0250

RE: North Dakota #10-014

Dear Ms. Anderson:

We have reviewed the proposed State Plan Amendment (SPA) submitted under transmittal number (TN) 10-014. The purpose of this amendment is to establish attestation for compliance with section 6411 of the Affordable Care Act which amends section 1902(1)(42) of the Social Security Act requiring States to establish programs to contract with Recovery Audit Contractors (RACs) to audit payments to Medicaid providers.

Please be informed that this State Plan Amendment was approved on November 2, 2011 with an effective date of December 31, 2010. We are enclosing the CMS-179 and the amended plan page(s).

If you have any questions concerning this amendment, please contact Sophia Hinojosa at (303) 844-7129.

Sincerely,

/s/

Mary Marchioni Acting Associate Regional Administrator Division for Medicaid and Children's Health Operations

CC: Mary Lou Thompson