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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 #11-014

Dear Ms. Anderson:

We have reviewed the proposed State Plan Amendment (SPA) submitted under transmittal number (TN) 11-014. This SPA reflects that the State will comply with PERM review regulations and will substitute PERM reviews for traditional MEQC activities every three years, beginning in 2011.

Please be informed that this State Plan Amendment was approved on November 2, 2011 with an effective date of October 1, 2011. 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