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July 22, 2009

Ms. Emma Forkner, Director South Carolina Department of Health and Human Services Post Office Box 8206 Columbia, South Carolina 29202-8206

Re: South Carolina Title XIX State Plan Amendment, Transmittal #08-004

Dear Ms. Forkner:

We have reviewed South Carolina's State Plan Amendment (SPA) 08-004, which was submitted to the Atlanta Regional Office on May 27, 2008. This amendment updates payment methodology for laboratory and x-ray services.

Based on the information provided, we are pleased to inform you that South Carolina SPA 08-004 was approved on July 20, 2009. The effective date is May 1, 2008. The signed CMS-179 and the approved plan pages are enclosed. If you have any questions regarding this amendment, please contact Tandra Hodges at (404) 562-7409 or Philip Bailey at (615) 255-9305.

Sincerely,

/s/

Mary Kaye Justis, RN, MBA Acting Associate Regional Administrator Division of Medicaid & Children's Health Operations

Enclosures