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January 27, 2011

Kim Malsam-Rysdon, Secretary  
Department of Social Services  
Richard F. Kneip Building  
700 Governors Drive  
Pierre, SD 57501-2291

RE: South Dakota #10-011

Dear Ms. Malsam-Rysdon:

We have reviewed the proposed State Plan Amendment (SPA) submitted under transmittal number (TN) 10-011. This SPA is concerning South Dakota's request for an exemption to the statutory requirement that the State implement a recovery audit contractors (RACs) program.

Please be informed that this State Plan Amendment is approved effective October 1, 2010. We are enclosing the CMS-179 and the amended plan page(s).

If you have any questions concerning this amendment, please contact Betty Strecker at (303) 844-7028.

Sincerely,

/s/

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

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