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January 14, 2013

Douglas A. Racine, Secretary Agency of Human Services 208 Hurricane Lane, Suite 103 Williston, VT 05495

Dear Secretary Racine:

On January 4, 2013, our Central Office sent you a letter approving your proposed State Plan Amendment (SPA) No. 13-003. This letter transmits the Transmittal and Notice of Approval of State Plan Material (CMS-179) and the approved State Plan pages.

SPA 13-003 proposed to amend the State's approved Title XIX State Plan to revise the Vermont multi-state supplemental rebate agreement (SRA) version for "The Sovereign States Drug Consortium" (SSDC) Medicaid Multi-State Purchasing Pool previously authorized by CMS under Vermont SPA 09-007. This SPA allows the State to continue to collect supplemental rebates for outpatient prescription drugs to Vermont's Medicaid beneficiaries using the revised SRA under the SSDC multi-state purchasing pool. This SPA was approved effective January 1, 2013.

Changes are reflected in Attachment 3.1-A, Page 5b of your approved State Plan.

If there are questions, please contact Robert Cruz at (617) 565-1257.

Sincerely,

/s/

Richard R. McGreal Associate Regional Administrator

Enclosure

cc: Mark Larson, Commissioner

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