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Paul H. Lohaus, Director
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Dear Mr. Lohaus:

Based on conversations between our staffs, the Minnesota Department of Health (MDH) is requesting that the target date for Minnesota to become an Agreement State be no later than September 6, 2005. MDH is aware of the fact that the transition requires extensive and detailed planning. Establishing a target date should assist in that process.

At the current time, your estimates indicate that the Agreement should be available for signature sometime in August. When your office provides the timeframe, MDH will approach the Office of the Governor to see how we will handle the signature process.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please contact George F. Johns, Jr. at (651) 642-0492 or me.

Sincerely,

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