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RE: Unreasonable Rate Filings Quarterly Report (Health & Saf. Code §1385.11(d))

Dear Honorable Senators and Assembly Members:

Under SB 1163 (Leno – Chap. 661, Stats. 2010.), health care service plans must file with the Department of Managed Health Care (DMHC) specified premium rate information, provide

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certain actuarial certifications, and meet specified web site and consumer notice requirements. SB 1163 also authorizes the DMHC to review premium rates, including unreasonable rate increases, as defined by the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act.

As required by SB 1163, and codified under Health and Safety Code section 1385.11, subdivision (d), the DMHC hereby reports to the California Legislature its quarterly Unreasonable Rate Filings Report.

Between January 1, 2012, and March 31, 2012, the DMHC completed review of 10 premium rate review filings. The DMHC found none of those filings unreasonable. The filings are posted to the DMHC Web site for public comment at: <http://wps0.dmhc.ca.gov/RateReview/>.

If you have any questions about these matters, the DMHC welcomes the opportunity to assist you.

Sincerely,



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