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Dear Mr. Douglas:

Enclosed is an approved copy of California State plan amendment (SPA) No. 09-010, effective July 1, 2009. This SPA implements a new coverage group for individuals who would otherwise qualify for Medi-Cal benefits under the Pickle Amendment through the use of more liberal income disregards under Section 1902(r)(2) of the Social Security Act. This SPA adds page 9c2 to Attachment 2.2A and page 11 to Supplement 8a to Attachment 2.6A of the State plan.

If you have any questions please contact Michelle Baldi at (415) 744-3656.

Sincerely,

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