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Center for Medicaid, CHIP, and Survey & Certification

Mr. Wayne Turnage Director Department of Health Care Finance 899 N. Capitol St. NE Washington, DC 20002

RE: State Plan Amendment (SPA) 11-001

Dear Mr. Turnage:

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We have reviewed the proposed amendment to Attachment 4.19-D of your Medicaid State plan submitted under transmittal number (TN) 11-001. This amendment modifies the District's Nursing Facility prospective payments system to eliminate the annual inflation adjustment applied to each facilities specific rate.

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We conducted our review of this amendment according to the statutory requirements at sections 1902(a)(2), 1902(a)(13), and 1902(a)(30) of the Social Security Act and the regulations at 42 CFR 447 Subpart C. We are approving DC 11-001 effective January 1, 2011. I have enclosed the approved HCFA-179 and the amended state plan pages.

If you have any questions, please call Gary Knight at (304) 347-5723.

Sincerely,

Cindy Mann Director Center for Medicaid, CHIP, and Survey & Certification

Enclosures