Deputy Administrator Washington, D.C. 20201

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Ms. Lynn Dunton Assistant Director Office of Policy Analysis and Coordination Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System 801 East Jefferson Phoenix, Arizona 85034

Dear Ms. Dunton:

We are pleased to infonn you that your State Children's Health Insurance Program (SCHIP) plan amendment, submitted October 31, 2000, has been approved as amended by the additional information you submitted on November 23, 2000. This amendment allows the State to accept parental declaration of income in the KidsCare program. Your Title XXI project officer is Ms. Nancy Fasciano. She is available to answer questions concerning the implementation of your program. Ms. Fasciano's contact information is as follows:

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Official communications regarding program matters should be sent simultaneously to Ms. Fasciano and to Ms. Janice Caldwell, Associate Regional Administrator in our San Francisco Regional Office. Ms. Caldwell's address is:

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We look forward to continuing to work with you and your staff

Sincerely

Michael McMullan Acting Deputy Administrator