Morrie Soderberg Blue Beacon International, Inc. P.O. Box 856 Salina, KS 67402

Department of Health and Human Services Office of Consumer Information and Insurance Oversight, Office of Oversight ATTN: Ms. Moultrie Room 737-F-04 200 Independence Avenue SW Washington, D.C. 20201

December 6, 2010

RE: Waiver for 2011 for the Blue Beacon Minor Medical Plan

Dear Ms. Moultrie:

In answer to your questions:

The plan was first effective March 31, 1997 and has been active since that date with the company paying ${}^{(b)(4)}$ of the cost. The plan has an annual limit, the annual limit for single employees is a maximum of ${}^{(b)(4)}$ per year, and the annual limit for family and or single with dependents is ${}^{(b)(4)}$ per year. Since these are annual limits, there is no lifetime limits stated.

The estimated calendar year cost for 2010 is $^{(b)(4)}$. If the waiver is granted and we are allowed to provide this benefit for the $^{(b)(4)}$ employees and $^{(b)(4)}$ people including spouses and dependents for 2011, we estimate the cost will be $^{(b)(4)}$

We do not pay a monthly premium, as the plan is self-funded. The cost to provide the benefit is the total of the administrative costs and the eligible medical bills.

I am also attaching a copy of the identification card the employees carry. You will notice that it has the covered services listed along with the life insurance benefit.

BLUE BEACON

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DELIVERIES TO: 500 GRAVES BOULEVARD/SALINA, KANSAS 67401



Please contact me upon receipt of this letter, as we need to know if the waiver will be granted. As we understand the law if the waiver is not granted, we would need to terminate the plan by January 1, 2011.

I may be contacted at 785-826-8216, 785-452-0061, and email at <u>morries@bluebeacon.com</u>

Sincerely, onio 00

Morrie Soderberg MJS/tf

Enclosure

Service member may request Social Security Number at time of Service





BLUE BEACON



MINOR MEDICAL PLAN GROUP NO. BMI241

NOTICE TO PROVIDERS

if the employee has terminated his or her employment This plan has limited benefits. The benefits terminate This is not a major medical or catastrophic health care plan.

Rx Information indicate eligibility for benefits. with the company. The presentation of this card does not

MGPWD EDI# 78911 Great Bend, KS 67530 PO Box 1090 Benefit Management, Inc. Submit Medical Claims to:

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2. Call customer service at (800) 290-1368 Ask for verification of eligibility and benefits under Group No. BMI241 The official plan document will be used for the final determination of benefits and is available for examination at the home office of the employer.

BENEFITS

employees and their legal dependents up to a calendar year maximum of $^{(b)(4)}$ for employee-only or $^{(b)(4)}$ for a family. Family is defined as the employee and the employee's spouse and/or legal dependents.

1. Have employee's name and member ID available

Pre-existing conditions are covered. To Verify Eligibility:

Inpatient Hospital Services Outpatient Hospital Services Physician Services Hospital Visits Surgery Office Visits **Emergency** Care Home Health Care However, Exclusions and Limitations May Apply

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The plan will pay of the reasonable and customary charges for: Ambulance Second Surgical Opinion Maternity Birthing Center Generic Facility Expenses Brand Name Physician Services Contraceptives Inpatient Well Baby Care Voluntary Sterilization Oral Surgery on Impacted Wisdom Teeth Only

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LIFE INSURANCE BENEFIT Double Indemnity – Life Policy \$(b)(4) for eligible employees who are participants in the Minor Medical Plan. COVERED SERVICES

> X-Ray & Lab **Prescription Drugs** Outpatient

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Cam Moultrie

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Blue Beacon	Plan 1	Salina	KS	1/1/2011	Morrie Soderberg	500 Graves Blvd.	Salina	KS	67401	785-826-8216	morries@bluebeacon.com	Limited Benefit	Yes
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Department of Health and Human Services Office of Consumer Information and Insurance Oversight, Office of Oversight ATTN: James Mayhew, Room 737-F-04 200 Independence Avenue SW Washington, D.C. 20201

Re: **Minor Medical Plan** Waiver of the Annual Limits Requirements for the Blue Beacon International, Inc.

Dear Mr. Mayhew:

required pursuant to OCII 2010-1: (the "Plan"). Protection and Affordable Care Act, for the Blue Beacon International, Inc. Minor Medical Plan International, Inc. (the "Applicant") hereby requests a waiver of the annual limits requirements of Section 2711 of the Public Health Services Act, as amended by Section 1001 of the Patent In accordance with OCIIO Sub-Regulatory Guidance (OCIIO 2010-1), Blue Beacon In support of the Applicant's request please find the following explanations as

1. The terms of the Plan for which a waiver is sought.

particular hospital or physician. employee is responsible for the remaining Coverage is provided for the following services: hospital, outpatient, physician, preventive care, prescription drug, and other medical benefits. The plan pays of the covered service and the week. benefits under the plan. hour. coverage and The plan provides coverage to both the employee and his or her eligible dependents. The hourly employees covered by the plan generally make between The plan covers hourly employees age for family coverage. This calendar year maximum applies to all covered There is a calendar year maximum of and older who average at least Participants are not required to use any and for individual hours per per

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4 Impact on participants

If the plan does not receive a waiver pursuant to OCIIO 2010-1, the Applicant will be unable to extend this coverage to its hourly employees.

$\dot{\Sigma}$ Attestation.

By affixing my name hereto, the below, undersigned, hereby certifies that (i) the plan was in force prior to September 23, 2010; and (ii) the application of restricted annual limits to the plan, or a significant increase in premiums paid by those covered by the plan. plan will result in a significant decrease in access to benefits for those currently covered by the

We appreciate your review of the foregoing application. please do not hesitate to contact me at 785-826-8216. If you have any questions,

Sincerely,

Morrie Soderberg

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Washington, D.C. 20201

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MINOR MEDICAL PLAN GROUP NO. BMI241 **BLUE BEACON**



NOTICE TO PROVIDERS

This is not a major medical or catastrophic health care plan. This plan has limited benefits. The benefits terminate if the employee has terminated his or her employment with the company. The presentation of this card does not

indicate eligibility for benefits. Submit Medical Claims to: Benefit Management. Inc. PO Box 1090

Great Bend, KS 67530 WebMD EDI# 48611 88-235 09/09

(800) 771-4648 www.medtrakservices.com Group # 10001149 Rx Information MEDTRAK R_N BIN # 800004

The plan will pay 80% of covered services for eligible hourly employees and their legal dependents up to a calendar year maximum of the for employee-only of the formally. Family is defined Have employee's name and member ID available
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COVERED SERVICES

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Prescription Drugs X-Ray & Lab

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Maternity Birthing Center Facility Expenses

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 However, Exclusions and Limitations May Apply

BENEFITS

From: Botwinick, Alexandra (HHS/OCIIO)
Sent: Wednesday, December 29, 2010 3:18 PM
To: morries@bluebeacon.com
Subject: Blue Beacon Waiver of the Annual Limits Requirements 12-29-2010

Importance: High

Follow Up Flag: Follow up Flag Status: Green

Attachments: Updated Jan 1 Approval Letter .pdf Good Afternoon,

Thank you for submitting an application for a Waiver of the Annual Limits Requirements of the PHS Act Section 2711 for Blue Beacon. HHS has reviewed your application and made its determination. Please see the attached letter.

Please confirm receipt of this letter by replying to this e-mail.

Please let me know if I can be of further assistance.

Sincerely,

Alexandra Botwinick

Office of Oversight HHS/OCIIO alexandra.botwinick@hhs.gov

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October 21, 2010

Department of Health and Human Services Office of Consumer Information and Insurance Oversight, Office of Oversight ATTN: James Mayhew, Room 737-F-04 200 Independence Avenue SW Washington, D.C. 20201

Re: Waiver of the Annual Limits Requirements for the Blue Beacon International, Inc. Minor Medical Plan

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The plan covers hourly employees age ^{(b)(4)} and older who average at least ^{(b)(4)} hours per week. The hourly employees covered by the plan generally make between ^{(b)(4)} and ^{(b)(4)} per hour. The plan provides coverage to both the employee and his or her eligible dependents. Coverage is provided for the following services: hospital, outpatient, physician, preventive care, prescription drug, and other medical benefits. The plan pays^{(b)(4)} of the covered service and the employee is responsible for the remaining ^{(b)(4)} Participants are not required to use any particular hospital or physician. There is a calendar year maximum of ^{(b)(4)} for individual coverage and ^{(b)(4)} for family coverage. This calendar year maximum applies to all covered benefits under the plan.

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To: Morrie Soderberg
Cc: Behrens, Scott; mminton@bmikansas.com; Habit, Sandra (HHS/OCIIO)
Subject: RE:
Thank you for your information. Your application is now complete and you will receive a determination of your application within 30 days.

Thank you.

Cam Lynne Moultrie Office of Consumer Information and Insurance Oversight U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (301) 492-4174 cam.moultrie@hhs.gov

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Attachments: Annual Limit Waiver Application 2010 - Amended 12-16-2010.pdf

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Subject: Blue Beacon
Spoke to attorney for Blue Beacon. He complained about the spreadsheet and being asked to provide projections. The plan does not know how annual limit would increase the rates. Complained about using the spreadsheet. Note that initial application was not complete and I played phone tag with the CFO for three weeks due to his travel schedule.

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Subject: RE: Attachment - Annual Limit Waiver Application 2010
Is this a Taft-Hartley plan?

Is the plan in compliance with the grandfather regulations?

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Subject: FW: Attachment - Annual Limit Waiver Application 2010
Importance: High

Submission of "annual limit waiver application-2010" as requested via your e-mail of December 13, 2010. Please contact me immediately if you need additional information or clarification. I can be contacted at this e-mail address or at 785-826-8216 or by cell telephone at 785-452-0061. Thanks for your immediate attention to this matter.

From: Tricia Friesen Sent: Wednesday, December 15, 2010 4:36 PM To: Morrie Soderberg Subject: Attachment - Annual Limit Waiver Application 2010 Importance: High

Tricia Friesen Administration Department Blue Beacon International, Inc. P.O. Box 856 Salina, KS 67402-0856 Phone: (785) 825-2221, Ext. 2266 Fax: (785) 822-3762 From: Moultrie, Cam (HHS/OCIIO)
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In order to expedite your application, please provide the following information:

I. Please complete the <u>entire</u> annual limits spreadsheet available at: http://www.hhs.gov/ociio/regulations/annual_limit_waivers.html. Please return the completed spreadsheet to this email address as an attachment. We will only be able to process spreadsheets that are fully complete (i.e., every cell should contain the information requested). If a cell on the spreadsheet does not pertain to your plan, please write "None," and/or provide an explanation regarding why you are unable to complete that particular cell in a separate document.

Once this information is received and the application is complete, it will be processed by the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS). As stated in our September 3, 2010 Sub-Regulatory Guidance, HHS will issue a decision within 30 days of receiving a <u>complete application</u>. You will receive an e-mail from HHS notifying you of the waiver decision.

Thank you.

Cam Lynne Moultrie Office of Consumer Information and Insurance Oversight U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (301) 492-4174 cam.moultrie@hhs.gov

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From: Morrie Soderberg [mailto:MorrieS@bluebeacon.com]
Sent: Wednesday, December 08, 2010 6:15 PM
To: Moultrie, Cam (HHS/OCIIO)
Subject: FW: Waiver Blue Beacon Minor Medical Plan Additional information requested.

Please confirm the receipt of this e-mail and 3 attachments.

From: Morrie Soderberg
Sent: Monday, December 06, 2010 4:41 PM
To: 'cammoultrie@hhs.gov'
Cc: 'Kovarik, Craig'; 'mminton@bmikansas.com'
Subject: Waiver Blue Beacon Minor Medical Plan Additional information requested.

Attached is the additional requested information.

From: Moultrie, Cam (HHS/OCIIO)
Sent: Thursday, December 16, 2010 3:02 PM
To: Morrie Soderberg; Habit, Sandra (HHS/OCIIO)
Cc: Behrens, Scott; mminton@bmikansas.com
Subject: RE: Attachment - Annual Limit Waiver Application 2010
Thank you for the information. If you do not know the contribution rates and projected contribution rates please send me the
COBRA equivalencies for columns AS, AT, and AU.

Thank you.

Cam Moultrie

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From: Morrie Soderberg [mailto:MorrieS@bluebeacon.com]
Sent: Wednesday, December 15, 2010 5:47 PM
To: Moultrie, Cam (HHS/OCIIO)
Cc: Behrens, Scott; mminton@bmikansas.com
Subject: FW: Attachment - Annual Limit Waiver Application 2010
Importance: High

Submission of "annual limit waiver application-2010" as requested via your e-mail of December 13, 2010. Please contact me immediately if you need additional information or clarification. I can be contacted at this e-mail address or at 785-826-8216 or by cell telephone at 785-452-0061. Thanks for your immediate attention to this matter.

From: Tricia Friesen Sent: Wednesday, December 15, 2010 4:36 PM To: Morrie Soderberg Subject: Attachment - Annual Limit Waiver Application 2010 Importance: High

Tricia Friesen Administration Department Blue Beacon International, Inc. P.O. Box 856 Salina, KS 67402-0856 Phone: (785) 825-2221, Ext. 2266 Fax: (785) 822-3762 From: Moultrie, Cam (HHS/OCIIO) Sent: Wednesday, December 08, 2010 6:03 PM To: Habit, Sandra (HHS/OCIIO) Subject: FW: Waiver

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Any news yet on the results of the waiver request?

From: Moultrie, Cam (HHS/OCIIO)Sent: Tuesday, December 28, 2010 1:35 PMTo: Habit, Sandra (HHS/OCIIO)Subject: FW: Blue Beacon Minor Medical Plan Waiver

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From: Morrie Soderberg [mailto:MorrieS@bluebeacon.com]
Sent: Tuesday, December 28, 2010 10:51 AM
To: Moultrie, Cam (HHS/OCIIO)
Cc: Behrens, Scott
Subject: Blue Beacon Minor Medical Plan Waiver

Is there any way to get an update as to the probability of this waiver being approved or not approved? We need to make some decisions regarding the continuation of this plan after December 31 2010.

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Your application has been reviewed and processed. You should receive a decision shortly.

Cam

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Hi,

I have not received the information yet. Please resent it.

Thank you.

Cam Moultrie

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

Office of Consumer Information and Insurance Oversight Washington, DC 20201

Date:

October 2010

From:

Steve Larsen, Director, Office of Oversight

Subject:Application for Waiver of the Annual Limits Requirements of PHS Act Section
2711

Dear Waiver Applicant:

Section 2711(a)(2) of the Public Health Service Act (PHS Act), as added by the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (Affordable Care Act), requires the Secretary to impose restrictions on the imposition of annual limits on the dollar value of essential health benefits (as defined in section 1302(b) of the Affordable Care Act) for any participant or beneficiary in a new or existing group health plan or a new policy in the individual market for plan or policy years beginning on or after September 23, 2010 and prior to January 1, 2014. Specifically, the Secretary is granted the authority to determine what constitutes a "restricted annual limit" that can still be imposed under such plans or policies prior to January 1, 2014.

The interim final regulations published on June 28, 2010 (codified at 26 CFR § 54.9815-2719T; 29 CFR § 2590.715-2719; and 45 CFR §147.126) established such restricted annual limits. The regulations also provided that these restricted annual limits may be waived by the Secretary of Health and Human Services (HHS) if compliance with the interim final regulations would result in a significant decrease in access to benefits or a significant increase in premiums. Pursuant to the regulation, HHS issued guidance on September 3 regarding the scope and process for applying for a waiver.

The Office of Consumer Information and Insurance Oversight, Office of Insurance Oversight received and processed your application for the plan(s) or policy(ies) year beginning January 1, 2011. We have determined that your application has met the criteria to obtain a waiver of the restricted annual limits requirements because compliance with the interim final regulations would result in a significant decrease in access to benefits for those currently covered by such plans or policies, or a significant increase in premiums paid by those covered by such plans or policies. To the extent you make any change to your benefit package after March 23, 2010, you must determine whether the change(s) will trigger loss of grandfathering status pursuant to 45 CFR

An approval of your request for waiver of the restricted annual limits requirements granted under this process applies only to the annual limit(s) provided in your application for the plan or policy year beginning between September 23, 2010 and September 23, 2011. This waiver only applies to the annual limits requirements in Section 2711 of the ACA and does not apply to any other requirement of the Affordable Care Act, ERISA, the IRS Code or the PHS Act. Further, a group health plan or health insurance issuer must reapply for any subsequent plan or policy year prior to January 1, 2014 when this waiver expires in accordance with future guidance from HHS. HHS may modify this waiver approval process memorandum and other relevant information.

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If you have any questions regarding this letter, please email OCIIOOversight@hhs.gov.