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Bill Brooks
Associate Regional Administrator
Division of Medicaid & Children's Health
DHHS/Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services
1301 Young Street, Room #833
Dallas, Texas 75202

Dear Mr. Brooks:

**RE: Louisiana Title XIX State Plan
Transmittal No. 15-0009 Outpatient Hospital Services- Non-Rural, Non-State
Hospitals-Supplemental Payments for Monroe Area Hospitals (Conway)**

Please refer to the above proposed State Plan amendment (SPA) submitted under transmittal number (TN) 15-0009 with an effective date of February 12, 2015. The SPA proposed to amend the provisions governing the reimbursement methodology for outpatient hospital services rendered by non-rural, non-state hospitals in order to adopt a supplemental payment methodology for services provided by hospitals located in the Department's Administrative Region 8 in the Monroe area.

The Department no longer wishes to pursue this State Plan amendment and requests that LA SPA TN 15-0009 be withdrawn from consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Jen Steele".

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Medicaid Director

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