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Mr. William H. Hogan, Commissioner  
Department of Health and Social Services  
P.O. Box 110601  
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Dear Mr. Hogan:

I am writing to follow-up on our conversation of August 5<sup>th</sup> where we discussed Alaska's State Plan personal care services. CMS appreciates the additional information that Alaska has shared with us, and, based on that information, we want to clarify our position on the moratorium. The moratorium does not apply to State Plan personal care services.

We look forward to continue working with you on these and other issues. If you need additional information, please contact me.

Sincerely,

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