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Greg Silence
Vice President
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RE: CH Mack contract with the Arkansas Department of Human Services

Dear Mr. Silence:

In 2011, the Arkansas Department of Human Services contracted with CH Mack since 2011 for a functional Universal Assessment tool. To date, CH Mack has failed to supply a working product.

The following dysfunctions are not an exhaustive list:

Issue	Resolution
The Disconnect Mode	Remote disconnect functionality is one of the
	most important requirements for the Universal
	Assessment Project. However, the disconnect
	mode functionality does not work and remains a
	serious issue for the Department. We need the
	C.H. Mack Med Compass application to work and
	maintain data integrity in the disconnect mode
	and during the data synchronization process to a
	connected mode of operation.
Operation of Canned Reports	C.H. Mack developed a series of reports based on
	the Department's reporting requirements
	(referred to as canned reports). However, these
	canned reports do not work and cause significant
	challenges for the Department to successfully
	manage and monitor the Universal Assessment
	Project. We expect all delivered C.H. Mack
	Reports to work and be operational in the
	Department's information technology

	Environment.
Configuration Management	C.H. Mack has delivered multiple versions of Med
	Compass software that are difficult to install
	indicating a lack of sufficient configuration
	management. For example, delivery updates are
	often partial and once installed frequently have
	missing or non-functional components requiring
	C.H. Mack resubmission. Batch files and scripts
	provided do not operate without errors and
	require intervention to correct the anomalies. We
	expect software deliveries to the Department to
	be fully backward compatible and to be full
	installation packages with clear run instructions
	that run without errors and do not require
	interventions to correct.

CH Mack's work product continues to be inadequate. Despite several meetings, telephone conferences, the exchange of computers, and the constant reworking of software these problems continue.

CH Mack has 45 days from the date of this letter to supply DHS with an acceptable Corrective Action Plan that credibly assures a fully functional product within 60 days from the date of this letter. If, after 60 days, the systems are not fully functional DHS will cancel the purchase order.

DHS will make no additional payments to CH Mack until these problems are resolved to the department's satisfaction.

Sincerely,

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