IN THE UNITED STATES COURT OF FEDERAL CLAIMS

COMMON GROUND HEALTHCARE COOPERATIVE,

Plaintiff, on behalf of itself and all others similarly situated, No. 1:17-cv-00877-KCD (Judge Davis)

VS.

THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Defendant.

JOINT STATUS REPORT

Pursuant to this Court's July 7, 2021 Order (ECF No. 148), the parties submit this joint status report. On June 21, 2021, the United States Supreme Court denied Plaintiff Common Ground Healthcare Cooperative's petition for a writ of certiorari (No. 20-1200) seeking review of the Federal Circuit's September 30, 2020 decision entering judgment consistent with the Federal Circuit's decision in *Community Health Choice, Inc. v. United States*, Nos. 2019-1633, -2102, 2020 WL 4723757 (Fed. Cir. Aug. 14, 2020). The Supreme Court also denied the Government's conditional cross-petition for certiorari regarding the same (No. 20-1536). *See* Orders List (U.S. June 21, 2021). Additionally, on that same day, the Court denied the petition for writ of certiorari and the Government's conditional cross-petition in *Maine Community Health Options v. United States* (No. 20-1162), which also sought review of the Federal Circuit's August 14, 2020 decision. *See* Orders List (U.S. June 21, 2021)

The parties have begun discussions regarding the next steps in this litigation. Class counsel, as well as attorneys representing other plaintiff health plans, have engaged with counsel for the Government in initial talks regarding potential avenues for resolving the CSR matters. To this end, the parties propose that they file a status report by September 28, 2021, in which the parties will update the Court on these efforts.

Good cause exists for the Court to continue the stay of this case. The parties are working together to determine whether they may efficiently resolve this matter without further litigation or can at least streamline a potential resolution. The complexity of the CSR matter and the number of interested stakeholders necessitates that the parties be afforded additional time for these efforts.

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