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Ms. Linda Allen
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Re: Geneva Watson vs. Xtra Mile Driver Training, Inc.
and Hartford Underwriters Insurance Co.
Appellate Case No. 2010-174006

Dear Ms. Allen:

As you are aware, I represent the Petitioner in the above action. In response to the request from your office regarding the above-referenced case, please be advised that the Petitioner filed a Petition for Certiorari which is currently pending before this Court. On October 24, 2013, the parties advised the Court that they had reached a settlement agreement and asked the Court to hold the Petition for Certiorari in abeyance pending approval of the settlement agreement by the Workers' Compensation Commission.

Part of the settlement agreement calls for Medicare's approval of the portion of the settlement that will be allocated toward satisfying Medicare's interest before the settlement agreement can be approved by the Commission. The parties have submitted the allocation to Medicare some time ago. We recently received requests from Medicare for additional information and we are in the process of obtaining that information and responding to Medicare. Once Medicare issues its determination on the allocation of the proceeds, then the Workers' Compensation Commission can sign off and we can conclude the settlement. I apologize for the delay in the processing of this settlement.

If you have any further questions or discussions, please do not hesitate to contact me. By copy of this letter to opposing counsel, Kathryn Fiehrer Walton, I am confirming this communication.

With kind regards, I am

Yours truly,

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cc: Honorable Jenny Abbott Kitchings
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