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VIA HAND DELIVERY

The Honorable Jenny Abbott Kitchings
Clerk, South Carolina Court of Appeals
1220 Senate Street
Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Re: *Amedisys SC, LLC v. SCDHEC*
Appellate Case No. 2016-000631
HSB File No.: 35549.0004

Dear Ms. Kitchings:

You have recently received three requests, one from respondent SCDHEC and two from the several intervenor-respondents, for extensions of time in which to file their initial briefs in this matter.

Counsel for the intervenor-respondents requested the consent of appellant Amedisys SC, LLC prior to filing their requests. As you know, Amedisys has had in place for over 45 days a request for expedited and final consideration of this appeal; and extensions of the reasonable times set by the rules do not serve that end. Nevertheless, Amedisys has already agreed to the respondents' requested extension of time to respond to its motion in the Supreme Court to certify, transfer, and expedite; and Amedisys advised counsel for the intervenor-respondents that it would also consent to this additional request for time for initial briefs, but only upon assurance that it would be the last extension request in this appeal. Having received no such assurance from counsel for any of the respondents, Amedisys does not consent to the requested extensions.

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Thank you for your attention to this matter. If you have any questions, please call. With best regards, I remain

yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "S. A. Matthews", written in a cursive style.

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