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Scott Logan Social Security Administration Office of Income Security Programs Keys Section VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

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re: West Virginia Keys Amendment Annual Certification

Dear Mr. Logan:

The West Virginia Office of Inspector General/Office of Health Facility Licensure and Certification is designated as the state agency responsible for overseeing compliance with Section 1616(e) of the Social Security Act. This letter certifies that the Office of Health Facility Licensure and Certification establishes, maintains, and enforces the standards for assisted living residences and residential care communities where significant numbers of Supplemental Social Security Income recipients reside or are likely to reside. The Office of Health Facility Licensure and Certification is responsible for identifying and licensing all assisted living residences and residential care communities which provide services and care to residents. The West Virginia Code and West Virginia Code of State Rules ensure compliance with Section 1616(e) of the Social Security Act. See, W. Va. Code §§16B-5-1, et seq. and W. Va. Code R. §§64-14-1, et seq. for Assisted Living Residences. See, W. Va. Code §§16B-9-1, et seq. and W. Va. Code R. §§64-75-1, et seq. for Residential Care Communities.

The Office of Health Facility Licensure and Certification will continue to report to the Social Security Administration Regional Office the names and addresses of assisted living residences and residential care communities which no longer meet state standards. At this time, the Office of Health Facility of Licensure and Certification does not have any facilities to report. Should you need additional information, please contact me at (304)352-0835 or by email at Mary.A.Argento@wv.gov

Sincerely,

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