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Ms. Kim Pearson, Division Manager
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Dear Mr. Pearson:

SUBJECT: APPROVAL TO AMEND MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU) NO. 10-6021 BETWEEN THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES (CDSS) AND SACRAMENTO COUNTY REGARDING THE RESIDENTIALLY BASED SERVICES (RBS) REFORM PILOT PROJECT

This letter is in response to the request from Sacramento County Department of Health and Human Services, Child Protective Services Division to CDSS to amend MOU 10-6021 between CDSS and Sacramento County. The county requested a modification of the MOU to reflect rate increases consistent with the California Necessities Index (CNI). The CDSS has determined that the rates approved for the County's RBS Pilot have not increased to reflect the cost of living increases received by group home providers. The county has requested and CDSS has approved the rate increase. The increase shall reflect the CNI for the fiscal years in which the RBS provider did not otherwise receive an increase. The increase shall be applied retroactively to those fiscal years.

The county also requests an extension to the term of the MOU to reflect amendments made by Assembly Bill (AB) 403 (Chapter 773 of Statutes of 2015) to the Residentially Based Services (RBS) Pilot. The RBS was established pursuant to AB 1453, Chapter 12.87 commencing with section 18987.7. The AB 403 extended the RBS Pilot by six months to December 31, 2016, with an opportunity for extension at the discretion of CDSS and on a case-by-case basis for up to two years through December 31, 2018. The CDSS has determined that an extension through December 31, 2018, will allow Sacramento County to ensure that RBS providers can successfully transition their programs to meet AB 403 requirements.

The CDSS has approved the following recommendations:

- Attachment 1, Exhibit 2, Funding Model, page 1, for fiscal year (FY) 2014-15, increase the rate by 2.17 percent to bring the monthly rate to \$8,944, effective

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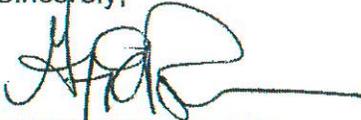
July 1, 2014. For FY 2015-16, increase the rate by 2.54 percent to bring the monthly rate to \$9,171, effective July 1, 2015.

- Page 2, Section C, Term – Is amended stating the MOU shall terminate on or before December 31, 2018.

All other terms and conditions of MOU No. 10-6021 remain the same. This amendment is hereby incorporated into MOU No. 6021 by inclusion of this letter as Attachment 1, Exhibit 7.

Should you have any questions regarding the RBS Pilot or MOU No. 10-6021, please contact me at (916) 657- 2614 or you may contact Cheryl Treadwell, Chief of the Foster Care Audits and Rates Branch, at (916) 651-9152.

Sincerely,



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c: Geri Wilson, Project Coordinator, Sacramento County RBS Reform