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Dear Ms. Heim:

Pursuant to IC 4-22-2-28, the Indiana Economic Development Corporation ("IEDC") has reviewed the economic impact analysis for small business associated with rule changes contained in LSA Document 10-792 and proposed by the Indiana Family and Social Services Administration ("FSSA"). The proposed rule amends 405 IAC 5-30-9 to reduce the rates by 10 percent for transportation service reimbursement to family members and adds 405 IAC 5-30-1.5 to set forth a fee schedule for Medicaid transportation rates for emergency transportation services (ambulance services) and for nonemergency transportation services (non-ambulance services). The proposed rule also adds that the fee schedule rates for emergency transportation services (ambulance services) will be reduced by five percent and adds that the fee schedule rates for nonemergency transportation services (non-ambulance services) will be reduced by 10 percent.

The economic impact statement prepared by the FSSA estimates that there are 508 transportation providers out of a total of 623 transportation providers that are Medicaid certified and meet the criteria of IC 4-22-2.1-4 as a small business. The economic impact statement states that the FSSA applied generally accepted accounting definitions to the terms "costs" and "revenues" and concluded that small businesses will incur a reduction in revenues but the proposed rule does not impose any additional annual reporting, record keeping, or other administrative costs on small businesses in order to comply.

The IEDC does not object to the economic impact to small businesses associated with the proposed rule. If you have any questions about the comments contained herein please contact me at 232-8962 or rasberry@iedc.in.gov.

Regards,

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