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February 1, 2009

The Honorable Moe Keller, Chairman
Joint Budget Committee
200 East 14th Avenue, Third Floor
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Dear Senator Keller:

The Department of Health Care Policy and Financing (Department) presents this letter to the Joint Budget Committee of the Colorado General Assembly in response to Legislative Request for Information 23:

Department of Health Care Policy and Financing, Indigent Care Program, Safety Net Provider Payments -- The Department is requested to submit a report by February 1, 2009, to the Joint Budget Committee, estimating the disbursements to each hospital from the Safety Net Provider Payment line item for FY 2007-08.

The Department reported hospital disbursement estimates from the Safety Net Provider Payments for FY 2007-08 on February 1, 2008 in response to footnote 30 of SB 07-239. The Department assumes the Joint Budget Committee requests estimates for FY 2008-09.

The Safety Net Provider Payment line item funds payments to public-owned and private-owned hospitals that participate in the Colorado Indigent Care Program (CICP). The Safety Net Provider Payments for FY 2008-09 are estimated to be \$158,313,960 and are reported in the attached Table 1. High-Volume payments are supplemental Medicaid payments and Low-Income payments are disproportionate share hospital (DSH) payments made to participating CICP hospitals. More information regarding the CICP and the reimbursement methodology can be found in the Medically Indigent and Colorado Indigent Care Program Fiscal Year 2007-08 Annual Report.

The payment amounts reported in Table 1 are currently in effect and were issued to providers through reimbursement letters dated September 9, 2008. Through the rate setting process, the Department makes final adjustments to the CICP provider rates in the final quarter of each fiscal year. The Department will have updated reimbursement information in June 2009, which can be provided upon request.

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Questions regarding disbursements to participating Colorado Indigent Care Program Hospitals can be addressed to Chris Underwood, Director, State Programs and Federal Financing Division. His telephone number is (303) 866-4766.

Sincerely,

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Table 1 FY 2008-09 CICP Estimated Provider Payments			
CICP Provider	UPL High-Volume Payment	DSH Low-Income Payment	Total CICP Payment
Denver Health Medical Center	\$9,592,542	\$46,641,756	\$56,234,298
University of Colorado Hospital at Denver	\$12,970,230	\$21,866,945	\$34,837,175
Arkansas Valley Regional Medical Center	\$132,886	\$303,149	\$436,035
Aspen Valley Hospital	\$147,766	\$139,337	\$287,103
Delta County Memorial Hospital	\$549,606	\$311,831	\$861,437
East Morgan County Hospital District	\$9,178	\$144,881	\$154,059
Estes Park Medical Center	\$1,292,221	\$203,087	\$1,495,308
Gunnison Valley Hospital	\$155,233	\$4,292	\$159,525
Heart of the Rockies Regional Medical Center	\$89,782	\$197,900	\$287,682
Kremmling Memorial Hospital District	\$55,310	\$3,375	\$58,685
Melissa Memorial Hospital	\$18,463	\$12,605	\$31,068
Memorial Hospital	\$12,619,802	\$6,946,723	\$19,566,525
The Memorial Hospital-Craig	\$136,601	\$16,029	\$152,630
Montrose Memorial Hospital	\$1,138,694	\$226,112	\$1,364,806
North Colorado Medical Center	\$4,278,148	\$3,573,060	\$7,851,208
Poudre Valley Hospital	\$4,684,792	\$2,500,861	\$7,185,653
Prowers Medical Center	\$380,146	\$559,447	\$939,593
Sedgwick County Memorial Hospital	\$6,401	\$19,816	\$26,217
Southeast Colorado Hospital	\$6,570	\$38,555	\$45,125
Southwest Memorial Hospital	\$1,825,583	\$161,093	\$1,986,676
Spanish Peaks Regional Health Center	\$31,387	\$119,192	\$150,579
St Vincent General Hospital District	\$13,258	\$16,795	\$30,053
Wray Community District Hospital	\$89,529	\$18,689	\$108,218
Yuma District Hospital	\$230,186	\$76,228	\$306,414
Public Hospitals	\$50,454,314	\$84,101,758	\$134,556,072
Boulder Community Hospital	\$949,818	\$9,658	\$959,476
Centura Health-Penrose St Francis Health Services	\$1,727,342	\$17,568	\$1,744,910
Centura Health-St Mary Corwin Medical Center	\$2,806,662	\$28,544	\$2,835,206
Centura Health-St Thomas More Hospital	\$369,122	\$3,754	\$372,876
The Children's Hospital	\$2,621,252	\$91,956	\$2,713,208
Colorado Plains Medical Center	\$132,244	\$1,344	\$133,588
Community Hospital	\$11,890	\$120	\$12,010
Conejos County Hospital Corporation	\$80,016	\$814	\$80,830
Longmont United Hospital	\$1,066,836	\$10,850	\$1,077,686
McKee Medical Center	\$1,689,724	\$17,184	\$1,706,908
Medical Center of the Rockies	\$1,180,256	\$12,002	\$1,192,258
Mercy Regional Medical Center	\$620,476	\$6,310	\$626,786
Mt San Rafael Hospital	\$140,036	\$1,424	\$141,460
National Jewish Medical & Research Center	\$1,156,764	\$24,283	\$1,181,047
Parkview Medical Center Inc	\$3,060,394	\$31,124	\$3,091,518
Pikes Peak Regional Hospital	\$63,276	\$644	\$63,920
Platte Valley Medical Center	\$1,521,602	\$73,856	\$1,595,458
Presbyterian/St Luke's Medical Center	\$0	\$141,928	\$141,928
Rio Grande Hospital	\$95,628	\$974	\$96,602
San Luis Valley Regional Medical Center	\$1,176,768	\$70,245	\$1,247,013
St Mary's Hospital and Medical Center	\$1,295,324	\$13,174	\$1,308,498
Sterling Regional Medcenter	\$423,910	\$4,312	\$428,222
Vail Valley Medical Center	\$142,162	\$1,446	\$143,608
Valley View Hospital Association	\$536,108	\$5,454	\$541,562
Vibra Long Term Acute Care Hospital	\$0	\$16,278	\$16,278
Yampa Valley Medical Center	\$301,960	\$3,072	\$305,032
Private Hospitals	\$23,169,570	\$588,318	\$23,757,888
All CICP Providers Total	\$73,623,884	\$84,690,076	\$158,313,960