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Re: Request for Continuance of Item 4 on the July 26, 2013 Agenda

Dear Ms. Halsey:


This office represents Claimant Orange County Health Care Agency (the "Agency") in the test claim scheduled for hearing before the Commission on State Mandates on July 26, 2013 (Agenda Item No. 4). I am the assigned deputy representing the Agency in the test claim. The Agency is prepared, through me, to appear and present its case before the Commission this coming Friday.

Unfortunately, my father fell very ill last week and requires surgery. The surgery will occur on the afternoon of Thursday, July 25, and will likely require his admission to the hospital through at least July 26. Given my father's medical history, which includes lengthy hospital stays, I need to be at the hospital to support him.

Please approve this request to continue the hearing on Agenda Item No. 4 to the next available commission hearing date. If you have any questions or require further information in considering the request, please contact me. Thank you.

Very truly yours,

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By 
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