

STATE OF FLORIDA AGENCY FOR HEALTH CARE ADMINISTRATION

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STATE OF FLORIDA, AGENCY FOR HEALTH CARE ADMINISTRATION,

Petitioner,

vs.

SOUTH BROWARD HOSPITAL DISTRICT D/B/A MEMORIAL HOSPITAL MIRAMAR,

 DOAH CASE NO.:
 18-5318MPI

 MPI C.I. No.:
 15-0232-000

 MPI CASE NO.:
 2015-0002523

 PROVIDER ID NO.:
 010345400

 NPI NO.:
 1326021197

 LICENSE NO.:
 4480

RENDITION NO.: AHCA- 2.0 - 014 -S-MDO

Respondent.

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FINAL ORDER

THE PARTIES resolved all disputed issues and executed a Settlement Agreement. The parties are directed to comply with the terms of the attached settlement agreement. Based on the foregoing, this file is **CLOSED**.

DONE and ORDERED on this the _	2	day of January	, 201 9, in	Tallahassee,
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Leon County, Florida.

MARY C. MAYHEW, SECRETARY Agency for Health Care Administration

Agency for Health Care Administration vs. South Broward Hospital District d/b/a Memorial Hospital Miramar MPI Case No.: 2015-0002523 C.I. No.: 15-0232-000 Final Order Page 1 of 3 A PARTY WHO IS ADVERSELY AFFECTED BY THIS FINAL ORDER IS ENTITLED TO A JUDICIAL REVIEW WHICH SHALL BE INSTITUTED BY FILING ONE COPY OF A NOTICE OF APPEAL WITH THE AGENCY CLERK OF AHCA, AND A SECOND COPY ALONG WITH FILING FEE AS PRESCRIBED BY LAW, WITH THE DISTRICT COURT OF APPEAL IN THE APPELLATE DISTRICT WHERE THE AGENCY MAINTAINS ITS HEADQUARTERS OR WHERE A PARTY RESIDES. REVIEW PROCEEDINGS SHALL BE CONDUCTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE FLORIDA APPELLATE RULES. THE NOTICE OF APPEAL MUST BE FILED WITHIN 30 DAYS OF RENDITION OF THE ORDER TO BE REVIEWED.

Copies furnished to:

South Broward Hospital District d/b/a Memorial Hospital Miramar 1901 SW 172 nd Avenue Miramar, FL 33029-5592 (U.S. Mail)	Joanne B. Erde, Esquire Duane Morris LLP 201 S. Biscayne Boulevard Suite 3400 Miami, Florida 33131 jerde@duanemorris.com (Electronic Mail)
Kelly Bennett, Chief, MPI (Electronic Mail)	Division of Health Quality Assurance Bureau of Central Services <u>CSMU-86@ahca.myflorida.com</u>
Stefan R. Grow, Esquire General Counsel (Electronic Mail)	Division of Health Quality Assurance Bureau of Health Facility Regulation <u>BHFR@ahca.myflorida.com</u> (Electronic Mail)
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Kimberly Murray, Esquire Assistant General Counsel (Electronic Mail)	Medicaid Fiscal Agent Operations (Electronic Mail)
Lesley Smith Assistant to MAL & MPI Chief Counsel (Electronic Mail)	

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true and correct copy of the foregoing has been furnished to

the above named addressees by U.S. Mail or other designated method on this the <u>rec</u> day of

20 Envery, 2010.

Richard J. Shoop, Esquire Agency Clerk State of Florida Agency for Health Care Administration 2727 Mahan Drive, MS #3 Tallahassee, Florida 32308-5403 Telephone: (850) 412-3689 Facsimile: (850) 921-0158

STATE OF FLORIDA AGENCY FOR HEALTH CARE ADMINISTRATION

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SOUTH BROWARD HOSPITAL DISTRICT d/b/a MEMORIAL HOSPITAL MIRAMAR,	MPI CASE NO.:	2015-0002523

Respondent.

SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

Petitioner, the STATE OF FLORIDA, AGENCY FOR HEALTH CARE ADMINISTRATION ("AHCA" or "Agency"), and Respondent, SOUTH BROWARD HOSPITAL DISTRICT d/b/a MEMORIAL HOSPITAL MIRAMAR ("PROVIDER"), by and through the undersigned, hereby stipulate and agree as follows:

1) The parties enter into this agreement for the purpose of memorializing the resolution of this matter.

2) PROVIDER is a Medicaid provider in the State of Florida, provider number 010345400, and was a provider during the audit period.

3) In its Final Audit Report (attached as Exhibit A), dated August 23, 2018, the Agency notified PROVIDER that a review of Medicaid claims performed by the Agency's Bureau of Medicaid Program Integrity ("MPI"), during the period of September 1, 2009, through June 30, 2010, indicated that certain claims, in whole or in part, were inappropriately paid by Medicaid. The Agency sought repayment of this overpayment, in the amount of one hundred sixty-two thousand, six dollars and forty cents (\$162,006.40). Additionally, the Agency applied

AHCA vs. South Broward Hospital District d/b/a Memorial Hospital Miramar C.I. No.: 15-0232-000; MPI Case No.: 2015-0002523 Settlement Agreement Page 1 of 6 costs in the amount of four thousand, four hundred eight dollars and ninety-eight cents (\$4,408.98) pursuant to section 409.913(23)(a), Florida Statutes. The total amount due was one hundred sixty-six thousand, four hundred fifteen dollars and thirty-eight cents (\$166,415.38).

4) In response to the Final Audit Report dated August 23, 2018, PROVIDER filed a Petition for Formal Administrative Hearing.

5) On October 19, 2018, and several dates thereafter, an Order was issued placing the case in abeyance during the litigation of *Lee Memorial Health System Gulf Coast Medical Center* v. Agency for Health Care Administration, DOAH Case No. 15-3876, First District Court of Appeal Case No. 1D16-1969 ("Gulf Coast"), AHCA v. Lee Memorial Health System d/b/a Lee Memorial Hospital, Case No. 14-4171MPI & 15-3271MPI, First DCA No. 1D16-3975 (Lee Memorial) and AHCA v. Cape Memorial Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Cape Coral Hospital, Case No. 14-3606MPI, First DCA No. 1D16-5310 (Cape Memorial). On February 27, 2019, the First District Court of Appeal issued its Opinion in the cases mentioned above finding in favor of the hospitals. The Mandate for each case was issued on June 18, 2019.

6) In light of the ruling of the First District Court of Appeal, PROVIDER and AHCA agree as follows:

i) The Final Audit Report dated August 23, 2018 is rescinded.

- ii) As of the date of this Settlement Agreement, AHCA has collected monies from PROVIDER totaling one hundred sixty-two thousand, six dollars and forty cents (\$162,006.40) ("the Refund Amount").
- iii) Within thirty (30) days of AHCA's receipt of this Settlement Agreement executed by PROVIDER, AHCA shall issue a Final Order adopting this Settlement Agreement.

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- iv) Within fifteen (15) days following issuance of a Final Order, the Revenue Section of AHCA's Financial Services ("Financial Services") shall forward PROVIDER a Refund Application reflecting the refund of one hundred sixty-two thousand, six dollars and forty cents (\$162,006.40) due to PROVIDER.
- v) Once AHCA's Financial Services section has received a complete, correct, and original signed Refund Application, the Refund Application will be processed and transmitted to the Department of Financial Services within fifteen days of receipt.
- vi) Payment of the refund shall be made within thirty (30) days of Financial Services' submission of and the Florida Department of Financial Services' ("DFS") approval of the signed Refund Application.

7) PROVIDER and AHCA agree that full payment, as set forth above, resolves and settles this case completely and releases both parties from any administrative or civil liabilities arising from the findings referenced in audit C.I. Number 15-0232-000 (MPI Case No.: 2015-0002523).

8) AHCA and PROVIDER reserve the right to enforce this Agreement under the laws of the State of Florida, the Rules of the Medicaid Program, and all other applicable rules and regulations.

9) This settlement does not constitute an admission of wrongdoing or error by either party with respect to this case or any other matter.

10) The signatories to this Agreement, acting in a representative capacity, represent that they are duly authorized to enter into this Agreement on behalf of the respective parties.

AHCA vs. South Broward Hospital District d/b/a Memorial Hospital Miramar C.I. No.: 15-0232-000; MPI Case No.: 2015-0002523 Settlement Agreement Page 3 of 6 This Agreement shall be construed in accordance with the provisions of the laws of Florida. Venue for any action arising from this Agreement shall be in Leon County, Florida.

12) This Agreement constitutes the entire agreement between PROVIDER and AHCA, including anyone acting for, associated with, or employed by the parties, concerning this matter and supersedes any prior discussions, agreements, or understandings. There are no promises, representations, or agreements between PROVIDER and AHCA other than as set forth herein. No modification or waiver of any provision shall be valid unless a written amendment to the Agreement is completed and properly executed by the parties.

13) This is an Agreement of Settlement and Compromise, made in recognition that the parties may have different or incorrect understandings, information, and contentions as to facts and law, and with each party compromising and settling any potential correctness or incorrectness of its understandings, information, and contentions as to facts and law, so that no misunderstanding or misinformation shall be a ground for rescission hereof.

14) PROVIDER expressly waives in this matter its right to any hearing pursuant to sections 120.569 or 120.57, Florida Statutes; the making of findings of fact and conclusions of law by the Agency; all further and other proceedings to which it may be entitled by law or rules of the Agency regarding this proceeding; and any and all issues raised herein so long as payment of the Refund Amount is made in accordance with the terms of this Settlement Agreement as set forth herein. PROVIDER further agrees that it shall not challenge or contest any Final Order entered in this matter, which is consistent with the terms of this Settlement Agreement in any forum now or in the future available to it, including the right to any administrative proceeding, circuit or federal court action, or any appeal.

15) PROVIDER does hereby discharge the State of Florida, Agency for Health Care

AHCA vs. South Broward Hospital District d/b/a Memorial Hospital Miramar C.I. No.: 15-0232-000; MPI Case No.: 2015-0002523 Settlement Agreement Page 4 of 6 Administration, and its employees, agents, representatives, and attorneys of and from all claims, demands, actions, causes of action, suits, damages, losses, and expenses, of any and every nature whatsoever, arising out of or in any way related to this matter, AHCA's actions herein, including, but not limited to, any claims that were or may be asserted in any federal or state court or administrative forum, including any claims arising out of this agreement except that PROVIDER reserves its rights to enforce the provisions of this Settlement Agreement.

16) The parties agree to bear their own attorney's fees and costs.

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17) This Agreement is and shall be deemed jointly drafted and written by all parties to it and shall not be construed or interpreted against the party originating or preparing it.

18) To the extent that any provision of this Settlement Agreement is prohibited by law for any reason, such provision shall be effective to the extent not so prohibited, and such prohibition shall not affect any other provision of this Agreement; provided, however, that in the event that payment is not made to PROVIDER as set forth herein, this entire Settlement Agreement is null and void and Provider retains its rights to bring any actions necessary to recoup the Refund Amount set forth herein.

19) This Agreement shall inure to the benefit of and be binding on each party's successors, assigns, heirs, administrators, representatives, and trustees.

20) All times stated herein are of the essence of this Agreement.

21) This Agreement shall be in full force and effect upon execution by the respective parties in counterpart.

SOUTH BROWARD HOSPITAL DISTRICT d/b/a MEMORIAL HOSPITAL MIRAMAR

Date: 12/5, 2019

(Signed) Authorized Representative of SOUTH BROWARD HOSPITAL DISTRICT d/b/a MEMORIAL HOSPITAL MIRAMAR

Aurelio M. Fernandez, II BY: <u>President and CEO</u> (Print Name and Title)

Date: _____, 2019

DUANE MORRIS, LLP Attorney for Provider Signature

BY:____ (Print Name)

AGENCY FOR HEALTH CARE ADMINISTRATION 2727 Mahan Drive, Bldg. 3, Mail Stop #3 Tallahassee, FL 32308-5403

Date: _____, 2019. 20

Molly McKinstry Deputy Secretary for HQA

Stefan R. Grow, Esquire General Counsel

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Shena L. Grantham, Esquire MAL & MPI Chief Counsel

Kimberly Murray, Esquire Medicaid Admin. Litigation Counsel

Date: _____, 2019 20

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Date: 2/10,2019

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EXHIBIT A



JUSTIN M. SENIOR SECRETARY

RICK SCOTT GOVERNOR

CERTIFIED MAIL No.: 91 7199 9991 7033 2046 1277

August 23, 2018

Provider No.: 010345400 NPI No.: 1326021197 License No.: 4480

South Broward Hospital District DBA Memorial Hospital Miramar 1901 SW 172nd Avenue Miramar, Florida 33029-5592

In Reply Refer to FINAL AUDIT REPORT C.I.: No. 15-0232-000 or MPI Case No: 2015-0002523

Dear Provider:

The Agency for Health Care Administration (Agency), Medicaid Program Integrity, has completed a review of claims for Medicaid reimbursement for dates of service during the period September 1, 2009, through June 30, 2010. A preliminary audit report dated July 16, 2018 was sent to you indicating that we had determined you were overpaid \$162,006.40. Based upon a review of all documentation submitted, we have determined that you were overpaid \$162,006.40 for claims that in whole or in part are not covered by Medicaid. The cost assessed for this audit is \$4,408.98. The total amount due is \$166,415.38.

Be advised of the following:

Pursuant to Section 409.913(23) (a) F.S., the Agency is entitled to recover all investigative, legal, and expert witness costs.

This review and the determinations of overpayment were made in accordance with the provisions of Section 409.913, F.S. In determining payment pursuant to Medicaid policy, the Medicaid program utilizes descriptions, policies, and the limitations and exclusions found in the Medicaid provider handbooks. In applying for Medicaid reimbursement, providers are required to follow the guidelines set forth in the applicable rules and Medicaid fee schedules, as promulgated in the Medicaid policy handbooks, bulletins, and the Medicaid provider agreement. Medicaid cannot pay for services that do not meet these guidelines.

Emergency Medicaid for Aliens (EMA) is a Medicaid limited coverage program in which coverage is only for the duration of the emergency. Definitions for Emergency Medical Condition, Emergency Services and Care or Medical Necessity, may be found in the <u>Florida Medicaid</u> <u>Provider General Handbook</u>. Other relevant definitions may be found in the Florida Administrative Codes, Florida Statutes and in federal law.

Below is a discussion of the particular guidelines related to the review of EMA claims and an explanation of why these claims do not meet Medicaid requirements. A list of the paid claims affected by this determination is attached.

REVIEW DETERMINATION(S)

The <u>Medicaid Provider General Handbook, 2008</u>, page 3-22, establish Limited Coverage Categories and Program Codes for programs with limited Medicaid benefits. Medicaid policy related to the program, Emergency Medicaid for Aliens, is further described. The <u>Hospital Services</u> <u>Coverage and Limitations Handbook, 2005</u>, page 2-7, also refers to Emergency Medicaid for Aliens policy. These policy references state: "Eligibility can be authorized only for the duration of the emergency. Medicaid will not pay for continuous or episodic services after the emergency has been alleviated." <u>Medicaid Provider Reimbursement Handbook UB-04, 2007</u>, page 2-7 states: "Medicaid coverage of inpatient services for non-qualified, non-citizens is limited to emergencies, newborn delivery services and dialysis services."

A medical record review was performed by a medical review team including a peer physician reviewer who determined the point at which the alien recipient's emergent complaint was alleviated. Medicaid policy does not allow payment of claims for services rendered beyond the date the emergency has been alleviated. Although medical necessity may continue to exist, Medicaid is not responsible for payment of those continuing services. Consequently, the inpatient services billed to and paid by Medicaid beyond the peer reviewer's determined date of alleviation are identified as an overpayment and are subject to recoupment.

In instances where hospital observation days were allowed, claims were adjusted to allow the outpatient per diem for observations, and the difference was identified as an overpayment and subject to recoupment.

In accordance with Medicaid policies, those claims not supported by documentation are identified as overpayments and subject to administrative sanction and recoupment. The <u>Medicaid Provider General Handbook, 2008</u>, page 5-3, defines "Overpayment" as:

"Overpayment includes any amount that is not authorized to be paid by the Medicaid program whether paid as a result of inaccurate or improper cost reporting, improper claims, unacceptable practices, fraud, abuse or mistake."

If you are currently involved in a bankruptcy, you should notify your attorney immediately and then provide them a copy of this letter. Please advise your attorney that we require the following information immediately:

- 1) the date of filing of the bankruptcy petition;
- 2) the case number;
- 3) the court name and the division in which the petition was filed (e.g., Northern District of Florida, Tallahassee Division);
- 4) the name, address, and telephone number of your attorney.

If you are not in bankruptcy and you concur with our findings, remit payment by certified check in the amount of \$166,415.38, which includes the overpayment amount and assessed costs.

The check must be payable to the Florida Agency for Health Care Administration.

To ensure proper credit, be certain you legibly record on your check your Medicaid provider number and the C.I. number listed on the first page of this audit report. Please mail payment to:

Medicaid Accounts Receivable - MS # 14 Agency for Health Care Administration 2727 Mahan Drive Bldg. 2, Ste. 200 Tallahassee, FL 32308

Questions regarding procedures for submitting payment should be directed to Medicaid Accounts Receivable, (850) 412-3858.

Pursuant to Section 409.913(25)(d), F.S., the Agency may collect money owed by all means allowable by law, including, but not limited to, exercising the option to collect money from Medicare that is payable to the provider. The Final Audit Report constitutes a probable cause determination by the Agency that you were overpaid by the Medicaid program. This correspondence is being sent to the address last shown on your provider enrollment file in compliance with Section 409.913(6), F.S. Thus, pursuant to Section 409.913(27), F.S., if within 30 days following this notice you have not either repaid the alleged overpayment amount or entered into a satisfactory repayment agreement with the Agency, your Medicaid reimbursements will be withheld; they will continue to be withheld, even during the pendency of an administrative hearing, until such time as the overpayment amount is satisfied. Pursuant to Section 409.913(30), F.S., the Agency shall terminate your participation in the Medicaid program if you fail to repay an overpayment or enter into a satisfactory repayment agreement with the Agency, within 35 days after the date of a final order which is no longer subject to further appeal. Pursuant to Sections 409.913(15)(q) and 409.913(25)(c), F.S., a provider that does not adhere to the terms of a repayment agreement is subject to termination from the Medicaid program. Finally, failure to comply with all sanctions applied or due dates may result in additional sanctions being imposed.

You have the right to request a formal or informal hearing pursuant to Section 120.569, F.S. If a request for a formal hearing is made, the petition must be made in compliance with Rule 28-106.201, F.A.C. and mediation may be available. If a request for an informal hearing is made, the petition must be made in compliance with Rule 28-106.301, F.A.C. Additionally, you are hereby informed that if a request for a hearing is made, the petition must be received by the Agency within twenty-one (21) days of receipt of this letter. For more information regarding your hearing and mediation rights, please see the attached Notice of Administrative Hearing and Mediation Rights.

Section 409.913(12), F.S., provides exemptions from the provisions of Section 119.07(1), F.S for the complaint and all information obtained pursuant to an investigation of a Medicaid provider relating to an allegation of fraud, abuse, or neglect. The Agency has made the determination that your violation(s) of Medicaid policy constitute abuse as referenced in Section 409.913, F.S. Thus, all information obtained pursuant to this review is confidential and exempt from the provisions of

Section 119.07(1), F.S., until the Agency takes final agency action with respect to the provider and requires repayment of any overpayment or imposes an administrative sanction by Final Order.

Any questions you may have about this matter should be directed to: **Tracy MacDonell**, AHCA Investigator, Agency for Health Care Administration, Medicaid Program Integrity, 2727 Mahan Drive, Mail Stop #6, Tallahassee, Florida 32308-5403, telephone: 850-412-4600, facsimile: (850) 410-1972.

Sincerely,

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Bob R. Reifinger Program Administrator Medicaid Program Integrity BRR/TM/cw

Enclosure(s): Provider Overpayment Remittance Voucher Notice of Administrative Hearing and Mediation Rights Paid Claims Report & Case Detail Reports (Peer Reviews)

cc: Bureau of Financial Services (Interoffice mail)

Division of Health Quality Assurance Bureau of Health Facility Regulation (E-mail)

Division of Health Quality Assurance Bureau of Central Services <u>CSMU-86@ahca.myflorida.com</u>

Notice: Section 409.913(16), Florida Statutes (F.S.), provides the authority for the Agency to impose the sanction of termination for cause if a provider voluntarily relinquishes it's Medicaid provider number or an associated license, or allows the associated licensure to expire after receiving written notice that the Agency is conducting, or has conducted, an audit, survey, inspection, or investigation and that a sanction of suspension or termination will or would be imposed for noncompliance discovered as a result of the audit, survey, inspection, or investigation. This is notice that the Agency is conducting an audit, survey, inspection, or investigation within the meaning of 409.913(16), F.S. Accordingly, if you voluntarily terminate your Medicaid provider number, voluntarily relinquish an associated license, or allow an associated license to expire following receipt of this notice but prior to the conclusion of this audit, survey, inspection, or investigation, said action will result in the imposition of the sanction of termination for cause from the Medicaid provider number, not the Medicaid provider number, not associated license to expire following receipt of this notice but prior to the conclusion of this audit, program.

Final Audit Report (FAR)

Provider Overpayment Remittance Voucher

Complete this form and send along with your check to:

Medicaid Accounts Receivable - MS # 14 Agency for Health Care Administration 2727 Mahan Drive Bldg. 2, Ste. 200 Tallahassee, FL 32308

CHECK MUST BE MADE PAYABLE TO: FLORIDA AGENCY FOR HEALTH CARE ADMINISTRATION

Provider Name:	South Broward Hospital District DBA Memorial Hospital Miramar
Provider ID:	010345400
C.I. #:	15-0232-000
MPI Case No.:	2015-0002523
Overpayment Amount:	\$162,006.40
Costs:	\$4,408.98
Fines:	\$0.00
Total Due:	\$166,415.38
Check Number:	#

A final order will be issued that will include the final identified overpayment and assessed costs, taking into consideration any information or documentation that you have already submitted. Any amount due will be offset by any amount already received by the Agency in this matter.

Payment for Medicaid Program Integrity Audit

NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING AND MEDIATION RIGHTS

You have the right to request an administrative hearing pursuant to Sections 120.569 and 120.57, Florida Statutes. If you disagree with the facts stated in the foregoing Final Audit Report (hereinafter FAR), you may request a formal administrative hearing pursuant to Section 120.57(1), Florida Statutes. If you do not dispute the facts stated in the FAR, but believe there are additional reasons to grant the relief you seek, you may request an informal administrative hearing pursuant to Section 120.57(2), Florida Statutes. Additionally, pursuant to Section 120.573, Florida Statutes, mediation may be available if you have chosen a formal administrative hearing, as discussed more fully below.

The written request for an administrative hearing must conform to the requirements of either Rule 28-106.201(2) or Rule 28-106.301(2), Florida Administrative Code, and must be <u>received</u> by the Agency for Health Care Administration, by 5:00 P.M. no later than 21 days after you received the FAR. The address for filing the written request for an administrative hearing is:

Richard J. Shoop, Esquire Agency Clerk Agency for Health Care Administration 2727 Mahan Drive, Mail Stop # 3 Tallahassee, Florida 32308 Fax: (850) 921-0158 and Phone: (850) 412-3630 E-File Website: <u>http://apps.ahca.myflorida.com/Efile</u>

Petitions for hearing filed pursuant to the administrative process of Chapter 120, Florida Statutes may be filed with the Agency by U.S. mail or courier sent to the Agency Clerk at the address listed above, by hand delivery at the address listed above, by facsimile transmission to (850) 921-0158 or by electronic filing through the Agency's E-File website listed above.

The request must be legible, on 8 ½ by 11-inch white paper, and contain:

- 1. Your name, address, telephone number, any Agency identifying number on the FAR, if known, and name, address, and telephone number of your representative, if any;
- 2. An explanation of how your substantial interests will be affected by the action described in the FAR;
- 3. A statement of when and how you received the FAR;
- 4. For a request for formal hearing, a statement of all disputed issues of material fact;
- 5. For a request for formal hearing, a concise statement of the ultimate facts alleged, as well as the rules and statutes which entitle you to relief;
- 6. For a request for formal hearing, whether you request mediation, if it is available;
- 7. For a request for informal hearing, what bases support an adjustment to the amount owed to the Agency; and
- 8. A demand for relief.

A formal hearing will be held if there are disputed issues of material fact. Additionally, mediation may be available in conjunction with a formal hearing. Mediation is a way to use a neutral third party to assist the parties in a legal or administrative proceeding to reach a settlement of their case. If you and the Agency agree to mediation, it does not mean that you give up the right to a hearing. Rather, you and the Agency will try to settle your case first with mediation.

If you request mediation, and the Agency agrees to it, you will be contacted by the Agency to set up a time for the mediation and to enter into a mediation agreement. If a mediation agreement is not reached within 10 days following the request for mediation, the matter will proceed without mediation. The mediation must be concluded within 60 days of having entered into the agreement, unless you and the Agency agree to a different time period. The mediation agreement between you and the Agency will include provisions for selecting the mediator, the allocation of costs and fees associated with the mediation, and the confidentiality of discussions and documents involved in the mediation. Mediators charge hourly fees that must be shared equally by you and the Agency.

If a written request for an administrative hearing is not timely received, you will have waived your right to have the intended action reviewed pursuant to Chapter 120, Florida Statutes, and the action set forth in the FAR shall be conclusive and final.

EXHIBIT 2

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