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Dear Vendor:

This letter is to announce the release of the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services (ODJFS) Request for Proposals (RFP)#: R-89-05-0268, for the purpose of obtaining auditing services from only Independent Public Accountants (IPAs) for reports filed by long term care providers certified under the Medicaid program. These auditing services are to be provided in accordance with the provisions of Section II of this RFP to enable ODJFS' compliance with Ohio Revised Code (ORC) 5111.27. ODJFS intends to award multiple contracts resulting from this RFP.

ODJFS is responsible pursuant to ORC 5111.27 for the audit of cost reports filed with ODJFS by long term care Medicaid providers, including nursing facilities (NFs) and intermediate care facilities for the mentally retarded (ICF-MRs). During the period of October 19, 2007 through June 30, 2008, ODJFS must provide for the auditing of approximately 400 cost reports. These are primarily cost reports filed for the calendar year (CY) 2003. A listing of current facilities to be audited can be found in **Appendix 10—Audit Listing of Long Term Care Facilities**, of this RFP. Those IPAs awarded contracts as a result of this RFP process will have similar requirements for state fiscal year (SFY) 08 and will be provided with a new listing of audits to be performed.

Due to the number of cost reports to be audited and the size of the engagements, contracts will not be awarded to vendors for specific, individual audits but rather will be based upon vendors' proposals for full-scope and limited-scope audits. "Engagements," for the purpose of this RFP, refer to the performance of the specified professional services for individual provider cost reports. Selected vendors will be awarded contracts for a certain number of full-scope and limited-scope audits based upon the criteria in Section V., Criteria for Proposal Evaluation and Selection, as well as on the vendors' capacity for full and/or limited-scope audits as indicated in their technical proposals.

If you are interested in submitting a bid for this important project, please obtain the RFP through the ODJFS web site at <http://www.jfs.ohio.gov/rfp/>. If you do not have Internet access to this document or experience problems opening the documents posted there, please contact the RFP Unit at the following telephone number:

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Responses must be prepared and submitted in strict accordance with the requirements and time frames given in the RFP. Thank you for your attention to this request.

Sincerely,

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