UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

AMERICAN HOSPITAL ASSOCIATION, et al.,

Plaintiffs,

v.

Civil Action No. 14-cv-00851 (JEB)

ALEX. M. AZAR, in his official capacity as Secretary of Health and Human Services,

Defendant.

DEFENDANT'S STATUS REPORT

Pursuant to the Court's 2018 Order (ECF No. 89), the Secretary of Health and Human Services ("HHS") provides this status report to inform the Court that HHS remains on track to meet the reduction targets set forth in the Court's November 1, 2018 Order. Attached to this status report are statistics concerning, *inter alia*, the backlog of appeals at the Office of Medicare Hearings and Appeals ("OMHA") as of the end of the second quarter of FY 2020. *See* Medicare Appeals Dashboard, Exhibit 1. By the end of the second quarter of 2020, a total of 242,995 appeals remain pending at OMHA, which is a 43% reduction from the starting number of appeals identified in the Court's order (426,594 appeals).

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