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ATTORNEY GENERAL

August 20, 2015

Ms. Catherine Heigel, Director
South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control
2600 Bull Street
Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Dear Director Heigel,

This office is aware that Governor Haley has requested the Department of Health and Environmental Control to conduct an investigation of the Planned Parenthood abortion clinics in South Carolina. As soon as you have completed the investigation, we would appreciate a copy of any findings so that we may review them to determine whether or not a criminal inquiry is warranted under South Carolina law.

Additionally, because these clinics may have received Medicaid reimbursements, I have directed Senior Assistant Deputy Attorney General Bill Gambrell with our Medicaid Fraud Control Unit to determine whether or not Medicaid fraud may have occurred.

Thank you for your prompt attention and DHEC's investigation of this matter. Please let me know if I or this office may be of any assistance.

Sincerely,

Alan Wilson

cc:

Nikki R. Haley, Governor
Mark Keel, Chief, State Law Enforcement Division



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The Honorable Kevin Bryant
104-A North Avenue
Anderson, South Carolina 29625

Dear Senator Bryant,

Thank you for your letter regarding the extremely disturbing media coverage revolving around the harvesting of body parts nationally by Planned Parenthood. We share your concerns.

I have spoken to Chief Keel and have sent the enclosed letter to Director Heigel with the Department of Health and Environmental Control.

Additionally, because these clinics may have received Medicaid reimbursements, I have directed Senior Assistant Deputy Attorney General Bill Gambrell with our Medicaid Fraud Control Unit to determine whether or not Medicaid fraud may have occurred.

We have requested these findings as soon as they available so that we may review them to determine whether or not a criminal inquiry is warranted under South Carolina law.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure: Letter to Director Heigel