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December 15, 2015

TO: Each Supervisor
Robin Kay Ph.D.
FROM: Robin Kay, Ph.D.
Acting Director
SUBJECT: **TERMINATION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH'S
PATIENT/CLIENT TRANSPORTATION SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH
PRIORITY ONE MEDICAL TRANSPORT, INC.**

This is to advise your Board of the termination of the Department of Mental Health's (DMH) Patient/Client Transportation Services Agreement with Priority One Medical Transport, Inc., Agreement No. MH020041. This agreement has been terminated by DMH under the Patient/Client Transportation Services Agreement, Paragraph 19 (INDEMNIFICATION AND INSURANCE), Section B (General Provisions for all Insurance Coverage), No. 4 (Failure to Maintain Insurance).

This Agreement was Board adopted on May 29, 2012, Synopsis No. 36, and the effective date of termination was November 18, 2015.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding this termination, please contact me, or your staff my contact Angel Baker, Interim Chief, Contracts Development and Administration Division, at (213) 738-4684.

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Attachment

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Michael Parker, President
Priority-One Medical Transport, Inc.
9327 Fairway View Pl., Suite 300
Rancho Cucamonga, CA 91730-0968

Dear Mr. Parker:

TERMINATION OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY AMBULANCE OPERATOR LICENSE

This is to notify Priority-One Medical Transport Inc. (PT) that effective May 7, 2015, PT is no longer licensed in Los Angeles County as an ambulance operator and must cease all ambulance operations within Los Angeles County.

PT's Los Angeles County Ambulance Operator Business License expired on February 28, 2015 and all 6 ambulance vehicles on file with the Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Agency business licenses have expired. Also, PT has not maintained workers compensation, automobile and professional liability insurance as required by County code and various Los Angeles County Department of Health Services contracts held by PT.

In a letter dated January 26, 2015, addressed to PT's attorney, Mainak D'Attaray, Esq., the EMS Agency requested clarification of Mr. Attaray's correspondence "*notification of temporarily ceasing operations in Los Angeles County effective January 15, 2015 (revised)*", on the proposed status of PT's business operation; whether PT's intent was to convert its current Ambulance Operator Business License to a Special Events Ambulance Operator Business License, or whether PT's intent was to rescind its notice of temporarily ceasing service as an ambulance operator and maintain its Overflow and Paramedic Agreement. This correspondence was sent via certified mail (and received by "Joy Thiel" at PT's attorney's office") on February 8, 2015 with no return response. The correspondence was also sent directly via email to the attorney with no response.

Without a reply from PT's attorney, the EMS Agency emailed and mailed a certified letter to you, at PT's Rancho Cucamonga business address on March 3, 2015 (also sent to your email address) which was returned to the EMS Agency as "return to sender, not deliverable as addressed, unable to forward" (in review of the USPS letter tracking website, documentation states "unclaimed" and "business closed"). Also, the EMS Agency has had no response to our email inquiry from you.

Please Send To:	
Deputy Director	TC
Lead Manager	JV
Contract Supervisor	YL
Contract Administrator	JAT
Agency	
Other	

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Michael Parker
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Numerous attempts have been made by EMS Agency staff to contact you via telephone at (800) 600-3350, which is answered as "Priority- One". Staff have been told that you are unavailable and messages have been left for you to return the call, without avail.

Los Angeles County code, General Licensing Procedures, Chapter 7.06.240- Renewals – Application after expiration states:

"The tax collector may accept an application for a renewal after the time specified in Section 7.06.200 if filed not later than 60 days after the expiration of the former license. When an application for renewal is submitted pursuant to this section, the fee shall be equivalent to the renewal fee plus 25 percent thereof. Except as otherwise provided by this section, the tax collector shall not accept an application for a renewal of a license which has expired or which for any other reason is not in full force and effect. The applicant may apply for a new license if not prohibited from doing so by any other provision of this title. He shall accompany such application with the fee required for an application for a new license. This section does not apply to the renewal of an adult business license which was issued pursuant to Chapter 7.92."

Payment of PT's Ambulance Operator Business License is delinquent greater than 60 days (as of April 29, 2015) therefore; **PT must immediately cease all operations within Los Angeles County. The County seals for all ambulance vehicles listed on the enclosure must be returned to the EMS Agency within 15 days of receipt of this letter. They may be mailed to the EMS Agency, Attention Ofelia Rodriguez, or you can make alternate arrangements for their return with Christopher Rossetti, Ambulance Licensing Program Head, who can be contacted at (562) 347-1688.**

If you have any questions you may contact me directly at (562) 347-1600 or John Telmos, Chief Prehospital Operations at (562) 347-1677.

Very truly yours,



Cathy Chidester
Director

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Enclosure

C Treasurer Tax Collector, Los Angeles County
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