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Ms. Angela F. Braly  
President and Chief Executive Officer  
WellPoint, Incorporated  
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Indianapolis, IN 46204

Dear Ms. Braly:

The Committee on Energy and Commerce and its Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations are investigating reports that Anthem Blue Cross is increasing its premium rates by as much as 39% in the individual health insurance market in California. Anthem Blue Cross is owned by WellPoint, Incorporated. The Subcommittee will hold a hearing on this issue on Wednesday, February 24, 2010, at 10:00 a.m. in Room 2123 of the Rayburn House Office Building. We request your testimony at this hearing.

To assist the Committee with the preparation for the hearing, we request that you provide the following information and documents:

1. All internal communications, including e-mail, to or from senior corporate management relating to the company's decision to increase premium rates in California in the individual health insurance market;
2. All presentations to senior corporate management, or government agencies, relating to increases in premium rates in California in the individual health insurance market;
3. A detailed explanation of the reasons for the premium rate increase proposed by Anthem Blue Cross in California;
4. For each year from 2005 to 2008, a table listing, as applicable, premium revenue, claims payments, sales expenses, other general or administrative expenses, and profits for all

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individual health insurance products, including an explanation of the methodology used for these calculations, for Anthem Blue Cross in California; and

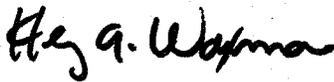
5. A table listing all proposed premium increases from January 1, 2009, through December 31, 2010, in the individual health insurance market for all WellPoint subsidiaries, including the amount of the proposed premium increase, the subsidiary, the state affected, and a detailed explanation of reasons for the increase.

For purposes of this request, "senior corporate management" includes all company officials at the level of Vice President and above for Anthem Blue Cross and WellPoint, Incorporated.

Please produce the requested information by Friday, February 19, 2010. In addition, we ask that you advise the Committee by Friday, February 12, 2010, whether you will comply with this request on a voluntary basis. Attachments to this letter provide additional information about responding to Committee document requests and testifying before the Committee.

If you have any questions regarding this request, please contact Stacia Cardille with the Committee staff at (202) 226-2424.

Sincerely,



Henry A. Waxman  
Chairman



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Enclosures

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