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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
THE FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION
OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGES

In the Matter of	
Caremark Rx, LLC,	
Zinc Health Services, LLC,	
Express Scripts, Inc.,	
Evernorth Health, Inc.,	
Medco Health Services, Inc.,	Docket No.
Ascent Health Services LLC,	
OptumRx, Inc.,	
OptumRx Holdings, LLC, and	
Emisar Pharma Services LLC,	
Respondents.	

<u>COMPLAINT COUNSEL'S UNOPPOSED MOTION TO REMOVE CERTAIN</u> <u>REDACTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC COMPLAINT</u>

Complaint Counsel respectfully moves for an order removing certain redactions from the public version of the Complaint, as specified by the specific text highlighted in red in Exhibit A. All Respondents have represented that they do not oppose this motion.

The public version of the Complaint as initially filed contains many redactions requested by the Respondents. Complaint Counsel met and conferred with Respondents on multiple occasions to discuss removing certain redactions from the public Complaint that do not mask "privileged, competitively sensitive information, or sensitive personal information." *See* Protective Order Governing Confidential Material, Docket No. 9437, Attachment A at ¶ 1. The

parties subsequently agreed to remove the redactions highlighted in red in Exhibit A. The bolded, bracketed material that is not highlighted in Exhibit A would remain redacted in the public Complaint.¹

Complaint Counsel's motion would remove most redactions from the Complaint, commensurate with the Commission's longstanding recognition of a "substantial public interest in holding all aspects of adjudicative proceedings . . . open to all interested persons." *See, e.g., In re Altria Grp. Inc.*, 2021 FTC LEXIS 66, at *4 (May 26, 2021) (Chappell, J.) (quoting *In re H. P. Hood & Sons*, 1961 FTC LEXIS 368, at *5-6 (Mar. 14, 1961)); *see also In re Asbury Auto. Grp. Inc.*, 2024 FTC LEXIS 132, at *11 (Oct. 4, 2024) (stating the same regarding Complaint Counsel's motion to remove complaint redactions (citing *Hood*, 1961 FTC LEXIS 368, at *5-6)).

For the foregoing reasons, Complaint Counsel respectfully requests that the Court grant this motion to remove from the public Complaint the redactions highlighted in red by Exhibit A.

Dated: November 22, 2024

Respectfully submitted,

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¹ Exhibit A represents a compromise between the parties intended to avoid burdening the Court and taxpayers' funds with needless motions practice. It does not represent Complaint Counsel's agreement that any of the remaining redacted material in the Complaint contains competitively sensitive information or that the material is suitable for *in camera* treatment.

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[Proposed] ORDER GRANTING COMPLAINT COUNSEL'S UNOPPOSED MOTION TO REMOVE CERTAIN REDACTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC COMPLAINT

On November 22, 2024, Complaint Counsel filed a Motion to Remove Certain

Redactions from the Public Complaint. Exhibit A to Complaint Counsel's Motion identifies in

red highlighting the redactions that Complaint Counsel proposes to remove. Complaint Counsel

represents that Respondents do not oppose the Motion. Accordingly, Complaint Counsel's

Motion to Remove Certain Redactions from the Public Complaint is GRANTED.

SO ORDERED.

Dated:

D. Michael Chappell Chief Administrative Law Judge

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CONFERENCE STATEMENT

Complaint Counsel conferred in good faith with counsel for the Respondents to resolve

the issues raised by the motion and reached the agreement described above.

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EXHIBIT A

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