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## **BY EMAIL**

Vermont Department of Financial Regulation 89 Main Street Montpelier, Vermont 05620 Attention: Emily Brown

Email: Emily.Brown@vermont.gov

Re: Responses to Questions Relating to the Form A Statement Regarding the Proposed Affiliation of Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan Mutual Insurance Company and Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Vermont (PUBLIC VERSION)

Dear Ms. Brown:

On behalf of Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan Mutual Insurance Company, a Michigan nonprofit mutual insurance company (the "<u>Applicant</u>"), we are writing in response to your letter dated June 14, 2023, in which you requested additional information regarding the Applicant's proposed affiliation (the "<u>Proposed Affiliation</u>") with Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Vermont ("<u>BCBSVT</u>"). Your inquiry relates to the Form A Statement Regarding the Acquisition of Control of or Merger with a Domestic Insurer, dated May 15, 2023 (the "<u>Form A</u>"), which the Applicant submitted to the Vermont Department of Financial Regulation (the "<u>Department</u>") in connection with the Proposed Affiliation.

Each question from the Department and the parties' corresponding response is set forth in Attachment 1 hereto, which information is submitted as a supplement to the Form A. The Applicant and BCBSVT respectfully request that certain questions and/or their corresponding responses be afforded confidential treatment in accordance with all applicable provisions of law, including, but not limited to, 1 V.S.A. § 317(c)(1) and (9). In furtherance of this request, the confidential portions of the questions and/or their corresponding responses are omitted from this letter and are being filed with the Department, concurrently with this letter, on a confidential basis under separate cover.

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Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me by phone at (312) 853-7822 or email at <a href="mailto:sdobecki@sidley.com">sdobecki@sidley.com</a>. Thank you for your continued attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

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