

In the United States Court of Federal Claims

No. 20-546

(Filed: 21 September 2021)

 CIGNA HEALTH AND LIFE INSURANCE, *
 COMPANY, *et al.*, *
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 Plaintiffs, *
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 v. *
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 THE UNITED STATES, *
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 Defendant. *
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ORDER

On 24 September 2020, the Court ordered a stay of proceedings related to Counts III and IV in this case pending the outcome of four Federal Circuit cases related to cost-sharing reductions (“CSRs”). *See* Order, ECF No. 15. On 23 October 2020, the Court continued the stay, pending the outcome of two cases on appeal—*Maine Community Health Options v. United States*, 143 Fed. Cl. 381 (2019) and *Community Health Choice, Inc. v. United States*, 141 Fed. Cl. 744 (2019). *See* Order, ECF No. 17. On 21 July 2021, the parties submitted a joint status report (“JSR”) stating the Supreme Court “denied the insurers’ petitions for writ of certiorari (and the government’s conditional cross-petitions).” JSR at 1, ECF No. 18. On 20 September 2021, the parties submitted a JSR requesting “the Court continue the stay of proceedings for an additional 45 days.” JSR at 1, ECF No. 19. The parties report continuing the stay is warranted because “[t]he Government is working with a number of CSR plaintiffs to determine whether they may efficiently resolve this matter without further litigation or can at least streamline the cases.” *Id.* at 2. The parties further state: “The complexity of the CSR cases and the number of interested stakeholders, necessitates that the parties be afforded additional time for these efforts.” *Id.*

For good cause shown, the Court continues the stay of proceedings related to Counts III and IV in this case. As agreed by counsel for the parties, the parties **SHALL FILE** a JSR on or before **4 November 2021**. If the parties request to continue the stay in the next JSR due to ongoing discussions with a number of CSR plaintiffs, the parties **SHALL FILE** a JSR every 30 days thereafter.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

s/ Ryan T. Holte
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Judge