CONSENT TO JURISDICTION STATEMENT

Filed with the office of the Commissioner of Insurance, of the State of Wisconsin

BY

BLUE CROSS & BLUE SHIELD UNITED OF WISCONSIN

and

UNITED WISCONSIN SERVICES, INC.

Date: March 15, 2001

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Pursuant to the requirements of that certain Final Decision and Order of the Commissioner of Insurance, dated March 28, 2000 ("Order"), concerning the conversion of Blue Cross & Blue Shield United of Wisconsin ("BCBSUW") from a service insurance corporation to a stock insurance corporation ("Conversion"), each of BCBSUW, an insurer authorized to do business in the state of Wisconsin, and United Wisconsin Services, Inc. ("UWS"), an affiliate of BCBSUW which shall be known as Cobalt Corporation following the Conversion, hereby consents to the jurisdiction of the Commissioner of Insurance, the terms and conditions of the Order, and the courts of the state of Wisconsin.

SIGNATURE

Each of BCBSUW and UWS has caused this statement to be duly signed on its behalf in the City of Milwaukee and State of Wisconsin, on the ____day of March, 2001.

BLUE CROSS & BLUE SHIELD UNITED OF WISCONSIN (SEAL) Name: Thomas R. Hefty Title: President and Chief Executive Officer

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UNITED WISCONSIN SERVICES, INC.

(SEAL)

Name: Thomas R. Hefty

Title: President and Chief Executive Officer

Attest: (Signature of Officer)

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CERTIFICATION

The undersigned deposes and says that he has duly executed the attached Statement dated the day of March, 2001, for and on behalf of Blue Cross & Blue Shield United of Wisconsin and United Wisconsin Services, Inc.; that he is the President and Chief Executive Officer of each company and that he is authorized to execute and file such instrument. Deponent further says that he is familiar with such instrument and the contents thereof, and that the facts therein set forth are true to the best of his knowledge and belief.

ame: Thomas R. Hefty

Subscribed and sworn to this 45 day of March, 2001.

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