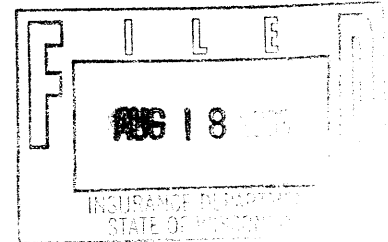


August 18, 2003

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Mr. Guenther H. Ruch
Office of the Commissioner of Insurance
125 S. Webster St.
Madison, WI 53703



Re: WellPoint Health Networks Inc. (Case No. 03-C28447)

Dear Mr. Ruch:

Enclosed is a copy of the Early Termination Granted letter from the Federal Trade Commission regarding the above matter.

If you need additional information or have questions regarding this correspondence, please feel free to give me a call.

Very truly yours,

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