



INSPECTOR GENERAL REPORT

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SPD AUDIT INVESTIGATION #9

Inspector General Staff Attorney Kristi Shute, after an investigation by Special Agent Darrell Boehmer, reports as follows:

On February 3, 2011, the Office of the Inspector General (“OIG”) received information from the State Personnel Department (“SPD”) stating that a former Department of Child Services (“DCS”) employee possibly carried an ineligible dependent on his state provided health insurance. The SPD requested the OIG’s assistance in determining the dependent’s eligibility.

The SPD conducted a dependent eligibility verification audit using third party administrator AON Consulting. On June 29, 2010, AON Consulting sent the former DCS employee a letter requesting that the former employee complete and return the enclosed Affidavit Signature Form and provide documentation for his child to verify her eligibility. A copy of the child’s birth certificate was required to complete the audit. The former DCS employee did not respond to this request.

The former employee was given two additional extensions, but, as of

February 3, 2011, the former employee had not responded or complied with the audit. Special Agent Boehmer contacted the former employee by telephone and conducted an interview. The former employee advised that the claimed dependent was his daughter, but he did not have a copy of her birth certificate. He did, however, have a copy of his divorce decree showing his child support obligations. The former employee faxed a copy of the divorce decree to Special Agent Boehmer. The divorce decree showed that he is the dependent child's father.

Since it has been determined that the claimed dependent was eligible to be on the former employee's state provided health insurance and no fraud was discovered, this investigation is closed.

Dated this 16th day of February, 2011.

APPROVED BY:

/s/ David O. Thomas, Inspector General