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The Honorable Bruce Caswell, Chair
 Senate Appropriations Subcommittee on DHS
 Michigan State Senate
 State Capitol
 Lansing, Michigan 48933

The Honorable Dave Agema, Chair
 House Appropriations Subcommittee on DHS
 Michigan House of Representatives
 Lansing, Michigan 48933

Dear Senator Caswell and Representative Agema:

Section 685(2) requires the department to report on the number of applicants for home help services, the number of approved applications, the number of denied applications, the number of pending applications, and the number of applications in which the applicant was eligible for nursing home services. That information follows here:

Home Help Applications		
	FY 2009	FY 2010
Approved	14,584	16,142
Denied	6,393	6,218
Withdrawn	3,366	3,342
Pending	105	181
Total	24,448	25,883

We do not currently make a determination about nursing home eligibility in our home help program. We do make an assessment regarding the amount and type of care and assistance with activities of daily living and instrumental activities of daily living that each client needs. This information is used to develop a plan for providing the needed help in the client's home.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (517) 373-7787.

Sincerely,


 Susan Kangas
 Chief Financial Officer

cc: Senate and House Appropriations Subcommittees on DHS and DCH
 Senate and House Fiscal and Policy Offices
 State Budget Director