



Homeland Security

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Mr. John J. Barthelmes
Commissioner
Department of Safety
Office of the Commissioner
33 Hazen Drive
Concord, New Hampshire 03305

Dear Commissioner Barthelmes:

This letter is to advise you that the U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS) has reviewed the supplementary information you have provided, including your September 11, 2014 correspondence, about New Hampshire's practices for secure production and issuance of driver's licenses and identification cards.

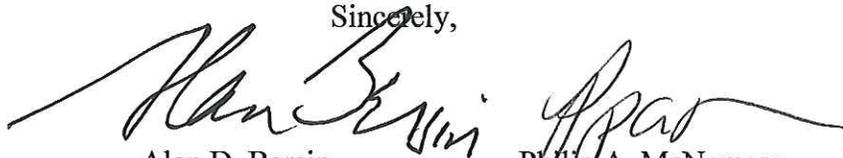
Although DHS recognizes your efforts in enhancing the security of your state's driver's licenses and identification cards, based on the information provided DHS is unable to make a compliance determination and also does not find adequate justification to grant an additional extension. As a result, when the next enforcement phase begins on January 19, 2015, Federal agencies may not accept for official purposes New Hampshire driver's licenses and identification cards in accordance with the phased enforcement schedule.

For your convenience, enclosed is a list of regulatory provisions that New Hampshire meets and those that remain outstanding based on information provided by your state. At any time, New Hampshire may submit a compliance package for DHS review in accordance with the procedures set forth in the regulations. New Hampshire may again request an extension if there are new developments or additional information regarding your state's progress towards meeting any outstanding requirements, the reasons that these standards remain unmet, and the reasons for continued noncompliance. Extensions are granted at the discretion of the Secretary of Homeland Security.

Please do not hesitate to contact DHS's Office of State Issued Identification Support at (202) 447-3871 with any questions or comments about this announcement. For all other homeland security matters, you may contact the DHS Office of Intergovernmental Affairs at (202) 282-9310.

We look forward to continuing to work with you on this and other homeland security issues.

Sincerely,

Handwritten signatures of Alan D. Bersin and Phillip A. McNamara.

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Enclosure

cc: Perry Plummer, Director, Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management