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Dear Mr. Levine and Mr. Hove:

Because Tennessee has not yet deemed the Tennessee application complete, in accordance with the decision issued on February 3, 2017 regarding the timeframe for a decision on the Virginia cooperative agreement application, the applicants and I have conferred regarding a further extension. In accordance with their request and 12 VAC 5-221-90(B), I will render a decision on the application no later than August 15, 2017, provided that the Tennessee application has been deemed complete again by May 1, 2017, and that all information I deem necessary to my decision has been received. If the Tennessee application is not deemed complete by May 1, 2017, the applicants shall confer with me regarding a further extension to ensure that the review period for the Virginia application is aligned with that of the Tennessee application.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Marissa J. Levine MD MPH".

Marissa J. Levine, MD, MPH, FAAFP
State Health Commissioner