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Dear Mr. Haddock:

Darron

Hope you are well. The AVS Office (AVSO) strives for continuous improvement. We are asking for your assistance in adjusting our process to eliminate a point of weakness in our narrative reports. When a regulatory authority requests a narrative report on a system evaluation that shows the status of the violation as **CONDITIONAL** we are not always confident that the status is based on current information.

Starting next month we plan to include point of contact information for each state violation that is listed in the AVS with the status of **CONDITIONAL**. The narrative will suggest that the requesting regulatory authority reach out to your point of contact to confirm the violation status.

We are asking you designate a point of contact and a back-up point of contact so that we can provide these names to the requestor when there is a violation from your State with the status of **CONDITIONAL**. The two individuals from your team, a primary, and a back-up person, will respond to requests to investigate the status of conditions placed on violations contained within the AVS. We also ask that if the condition on the violation has changed that the contact person(s) should update or have your AVS entry person update the AVS immediately.

We will add both names to the AVS Office User Assistance Liaisons listing in a new category called Violation Conditional Status Point of Contact.

You need not respond to this request if you would like us to use the AVS Policy Contact and AVS User already identified as points of contact for your state as the Violation

Conditional Status Point of Contact. If another person or persons should be listed for those performing eligibility checks please email those names to Linda Keene at lkeene@osmre.gov prior to May 19th.

Sincerely,



Stephanie Varvell
Chief
Applicant/Violator System Office