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Aetna Inc. & Humana Inc.

Plaintiffs' Opening Statement

Competition between Aetna and Humana for Medicare Advantage consumers is important and worth preserving

Medicare Advantage

Market Definition

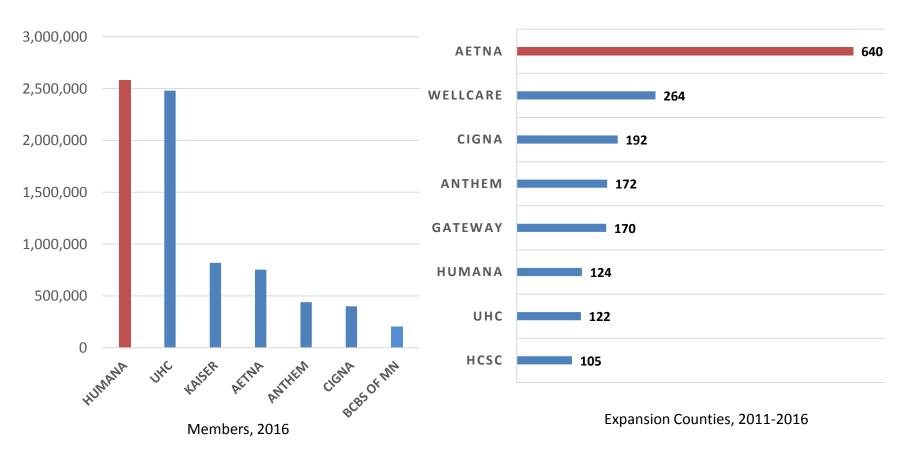
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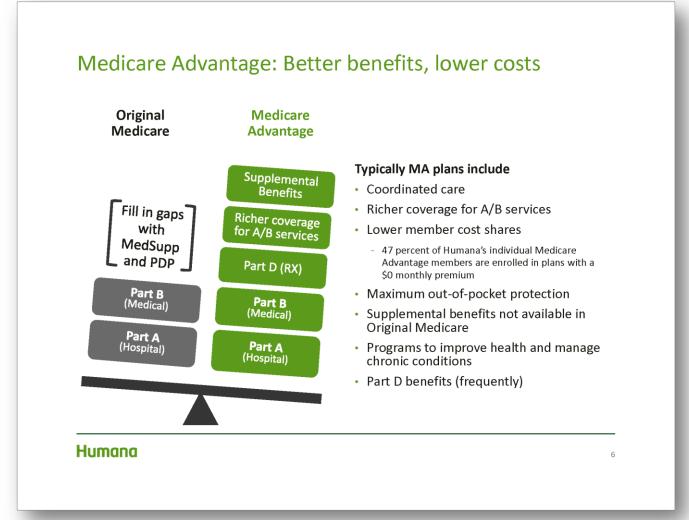
This merger would combine two of the leading Medicare Advantage insurers in the country



Aetna is the fastest-growing.



The sale of Medicare Advantage is a relevant product market



"Reasonable interchangeability" is different from "functional interchangeability"

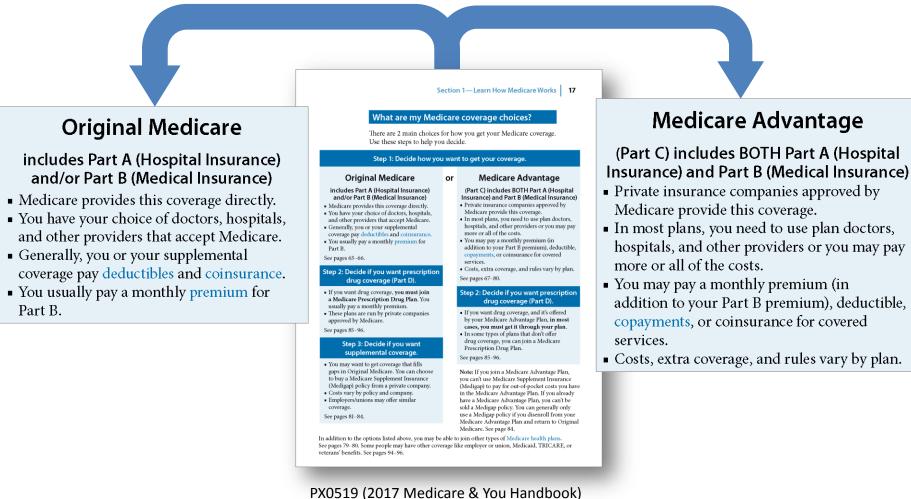
"The outer boundaries of a product market are determined by the reasonable interchangeability of use or the cross-elasticity of demand between the product itself and substitutes for it."

Brown Shoe Co. v. United States, 370 U.S. 294, 325 (1962)

"[F]unctional interchangeability should not end the Court's analysis."

FTC v. Staples, Inc., 970 F. Supp. 1066, 1074 (D.D.C. 1997)

Seniors first choose the product segment that is best for them



The availability of multiple choices does not mean that every option is a competitive constraint

"[E]ven though it is true that other beverages quench thirst," carbonated soft drinks are an "appropriate 'line of commerce' for measuring the probable effects" of a merger between Coca-Cola and Dr. Pepper.







FTC v. Coca-Cola,

641 F. Supp. 1128, 1132-33 (D.D.C. 1986), vacated as moot, 829 F.2d 191 (D.C. Cir. 1987)



"All tax preparation methods provide taxpayers with a means to perform the task of completing a tax return, but each method is starkly different."

U.S. v. H&R Block, Inc., 833 F. Supp. 2d 36, 54 (D.D.C. 2011)

Courts look to two main types of evidence: "Practical indicia" and economic experts

Industry or public recognition of the market as a separate economic entity Product's characteristics and uses **Brown Shoe** Unique production facilities "Practical Indicia" Distinct customers Distinct prices Sensitivity to price changes Specialized vendors

Medicare Advantage has distinct characteristics

		Medicare		ginal Medi ithout supplementa	
		Advantage	Parts A & B Only	Parts A & B with Medigap	Parts A & B with Part D
	Medical benefits of Parts A & B	*	•	*	*
	Visit any medical provider	×	•	*	•
	Out-of-pocket cap on medical costs	✓	×	*	×
Basic benefits	Care management & coordination	*	×	×	×
	Star ratings	✓	×	×	•
	Single customer-service hotline	₩	•	×	×
	Private insurer branding	✓	×	•	*
	Outpatient prescription drug coverage	*	×	×	*
	Dental coverage	*	×	×	×
Additional benefits	Vision coverage	✓	×	×	×
offered by most plans	Hearing coverage	✓	×	×	×
	Wellness benefits	✓	×	×	×
	Other benefits	✓	×	×	×

Ex. 7, Expert Report of Aviv Nevo, Ph.D. (Oct. 21, 2016)

Aetna and Humana recognize the differences and organize their businesses around them

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	attached the states by tier into the <i>geography-members by state</i> tab per your suggestion. The states are tiered 1-3 and color laccordingly. The key for this tiered approach is found below:	
Tier:	1.—These are the primary states we focus on competitively and where we see the majority of our growth and membership. 2.—These states have a combination of small senior populations and a more challenging regulatory environment. 3.—Ther 3 states are difficult regulatory environments that we are in considering for select partnership opportunities.	
partice	are several factors to take into consideration when looking across all Medicare products and comparing them in this manner, ularly when lining MA and Med Supp up side-by-side in this exercise. As we have discussed, the products are apples and es. Outlined a few of the factors that must be considered when our consultants analyze the information we are providing:	
1.	MA is not everywhere and tends to be found in concentrated areas that are urban in nature, whereas Med Supp (when approved) is state-wide and tends to be a product most prominently sold in rural areas.	
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Fran Soistman
 Head of Government Business at Aetna

And what do you mean when you said you've kept your Medicare Advantage and Med Supp business separated? A. Operationally. They run on different platforms. They have dedicated teams, a dedicated leader. You know, they're different -- their business models are different. Q. Do they report financial performance differently? There are subtle differences, sure. Yeah, there are some subtle differences. When you said that you don't intentionally try to move people from your Med Supp program to your Medicare Advantage program, why is that Aetna's position? Well, we view that most of these members have a relationship with a broker agent, and the broker agent represents the interests of the beneficiary.

Soistman dep. at 251:6-13 (Oct. 13, 2016)

Aetna and Humana's competitive energy focuses on other Medicare Advantage insurers

Quality health plans & benefits Healthier living Financial well-being Intelligent solutions

aetna

IVL Medicare AEP: Competitive Analysis
IN 2015 AEP, Aetna ranked 2nd in growth among our top competitors;
Humana took market share lead away from United

Medicare D **March 2015**

Nancy Cocozza and Tear



- · Captured 38% of newly eligibles (21% market share); availability to 85% of beneficiaries
- · Vast improvement in STAR ratings; 92% of members in 4+ Star plans
- · Expanded provider relationships through acquisition and exclusive relationships



- · Continued network reductions and market exits
- Star ratings performance relatively flat yearover-year
- · #2 with 19% share



- · Added 30k enrollees partly due to HealthSpring
- · Improved Star performance; 5 star option in FL



- Continued poor Star rating performance
- Increased premiums in most markets

Key Trends

Slightly lower growth than last two years

- · Overall MA enrollment over 16 million (30% of Medicare beneficiaries)*
- · Industry growth of 4.4% below trend of 5% in 2014 and 2013
- Product exits impacted 5% of MA enrollees or 575k vs. 550k in 2014
- 11.5% of MA enrollees (~2M) in dual eligible

Competitors continue to move toward leaner products

- Value added benefits reduced by ~15%
- Out of pocket costs increased by 5% compared to 10% in 2014

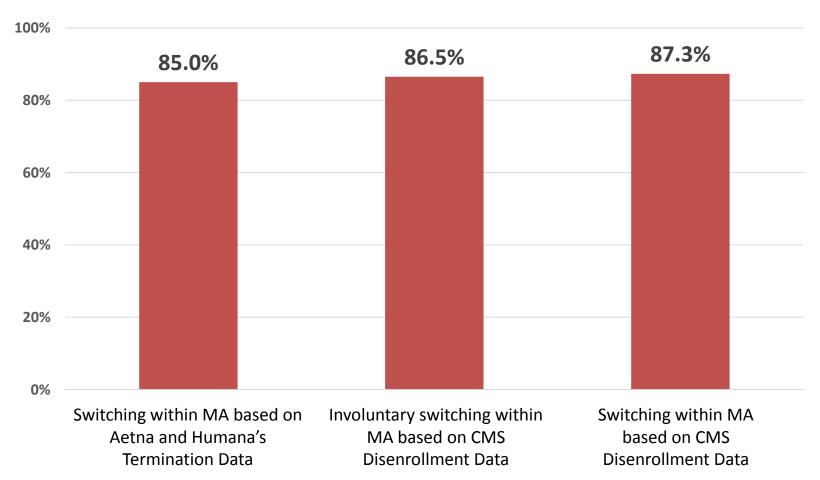
Premiums increased and enrollment in premium products grew

- · 44% of enrollees in zero premium plans, down from 56% in 2014
- · Average monthly premium rising 20% to \$41

*CMS Fact Sheet: Fact Sheet: Moving Medicare Advantage and Part D Forward 2/20/2015

March 2015 OC Meeting: Confidential

Seniors do not treat Medicare Advantage as being "reasonably interchangeable" with Original Medicare



Econometric evidence consistently finds that the sale of Medicare Advantage is a relevant product market

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Using Prof. Nevo's preferred demand estimate	100%
	98%
	99%
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Mr. Orszag's	99%
preferred demand	96%
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Ex. 14, Expert Report of Aviv Nevo, Ph.D. (Oct. 21, 2016); Ex. 3, Supplemental and Rebuttal Report of Aviv Nevo, Ph.D. (Nov. 11, 2016)

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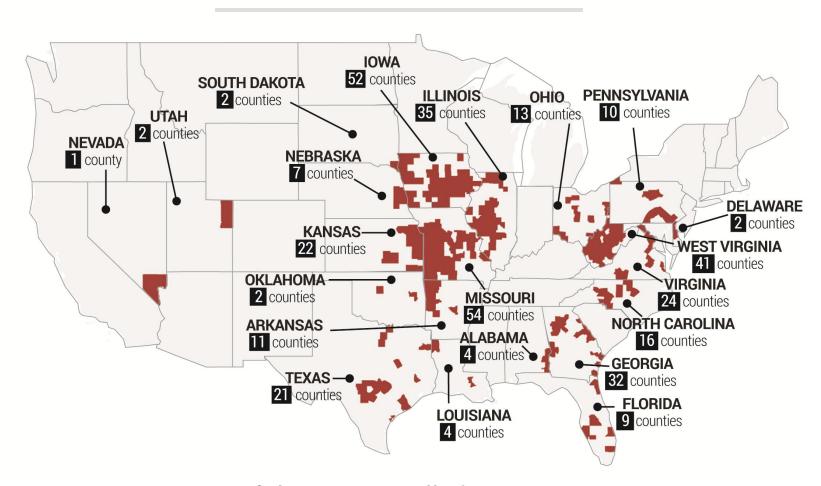
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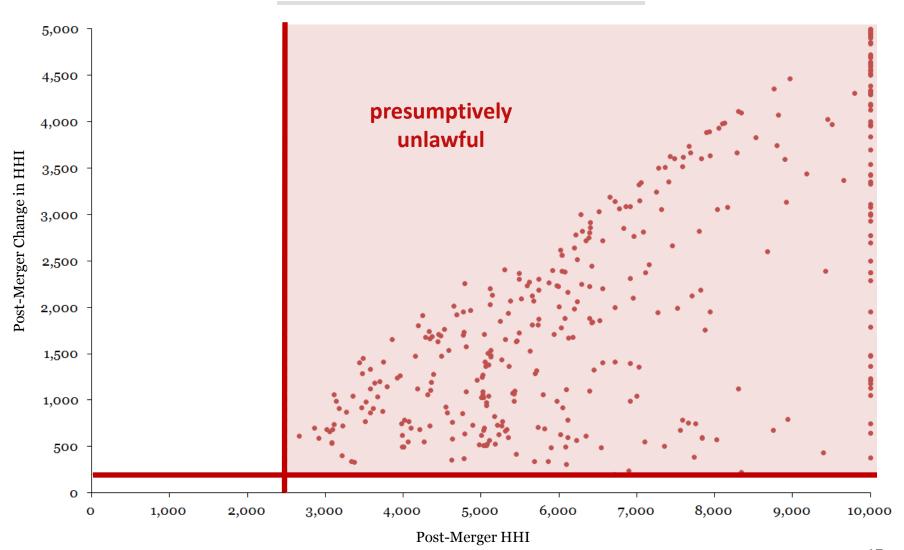
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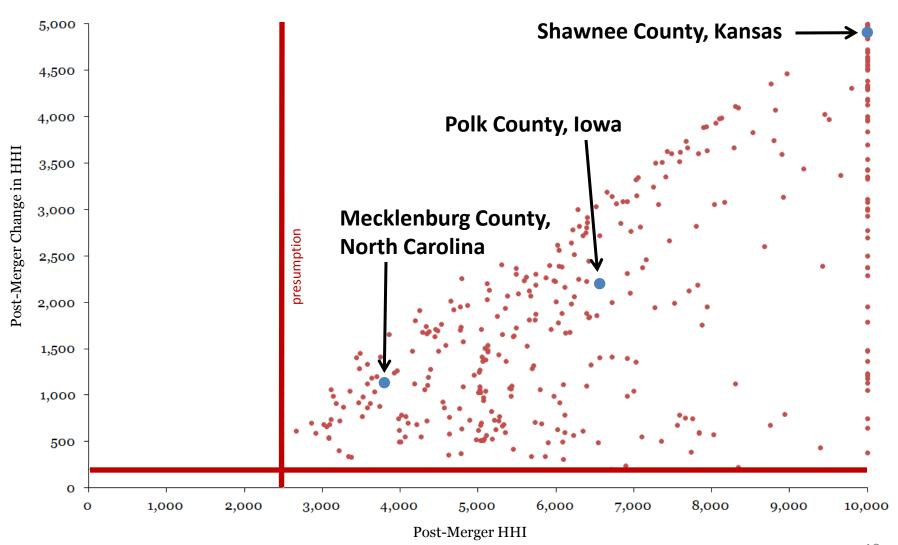
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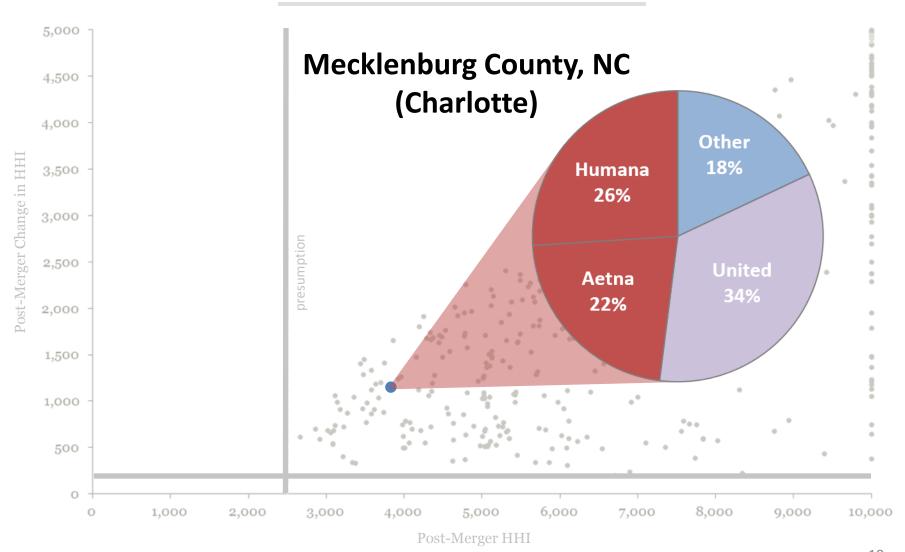
Over 1.6 million seniors are enrolled in Medicare Advantage in these counties

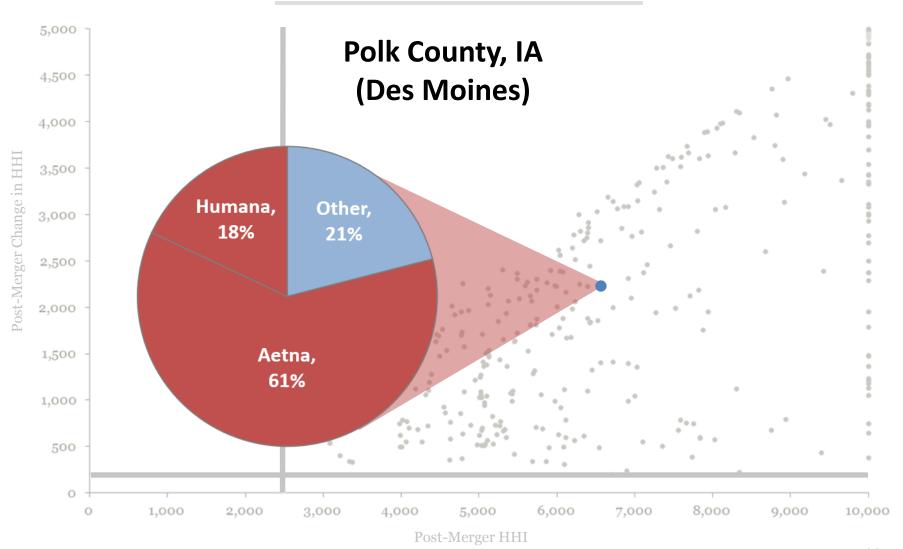


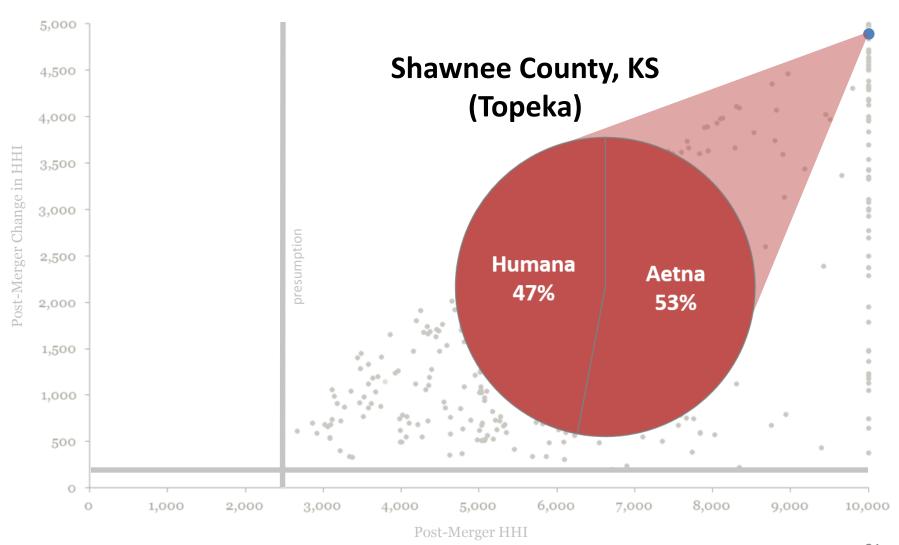
Over 970,000 of them are enrolled in an Aetna or Humana Medicare Advantage plan.











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- Cindy Follmer,

Medicare General Manager at Aetna PX0397, at 1 (Mar. 28, 2014)



- **Patrick Farley**, Sales Director at Humana PX0050, at 3 (Nov. 2, 2015)



- Nancy Cocozza,

Head of Medicare Business at Aetna PX0007, at 1 (Mar. 25, 2015)



Kevin Meriwether

Southeast Division Leader at Humana PX0512, at 9 (undated)



- Humana "1st Look" Competitor Analysis PX0455, at 67 (Aug. 24, 2015)

The merger would create over \$500 million of annual harm to seniors and taxpayers

\$358 million in annual harm to seniors

Higher prices

Lower benefits and quality

\$145 million in annual harm to taxpayers

Higher CMS payments to Medicare Advantage insurers

The proposed divestiture is risky and would not remedy the harm

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Aetna and Humana are not selling the assets that are necessary to compete effectively

Molina Would Not	Receive:
A business with tens of thousands of provider contracts	*
The infrastructure of an ongoing business	*
A recognized brand name	*
An existing broker network	*
Employees, including experienced Medicare actuaries and sales staff	*
A business with value-based contracts with providers	*
Physical locations, including sales office and Humana Guidance Centers	

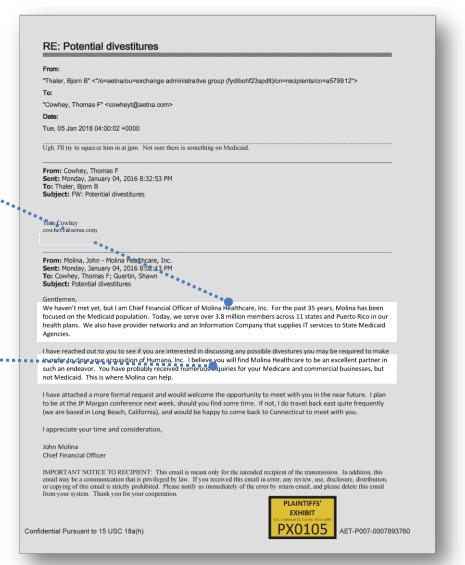
Who is Molina?

"For the past 35 years, Molina has been focused on the Medicaid • population."

"You have probably received numerous inquiries for your Medicare and commercial business, but not Medicaid. This is where Molina can help."

- John Molina

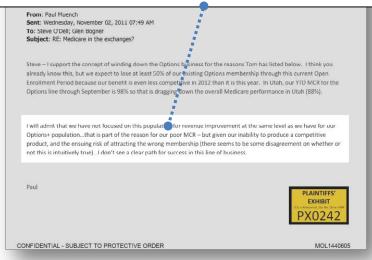
Chief Financial Officer at Molina Healthcare



Molina has a record of failure in Medicare Advantage

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Yes – even	rthing is going well – a few things to catch you up on whenever you have a chancenothing urgent. Paul

"[B]ut given our inability to produce a competitive product . . . I don't see a clear path for success in this line of business."



Molina is a trivial participant in individual Medicare Advantage

Humana

Over

2.5 million

members

<u>Aetna</u>

Over

700,000

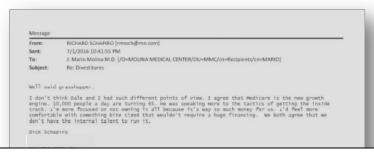
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Molina

424

members

The risk of the proposed divestiture will fall on seniors



"The image that comes to my mind is the dog chasing the car and we are the dog. What happens if we catch it?"



PX0086, at 1 (July 1, 2016)



"this is a very different business from what we do, including commercial marketing, pricing, contracting, etc."



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I would no	of focus on it yet. we will know more in a few weeksthen it could get balled up in .sty tunedsty tuned.

I have been clear with Dr. Mario and John-key to success:

Their Star ratings need to come over-4-4.5—if not we are at risk of not being able to honor current benefits

Their network needs to be replicated.. lose key providers and we will lose members in droves

Sales and market engine-8 week selling period

GA and broker network..

Then the basics in ops and CM.. big fricken lift..

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The sale of insurance on the public exchanges is a relevant product market

Public Exchanges

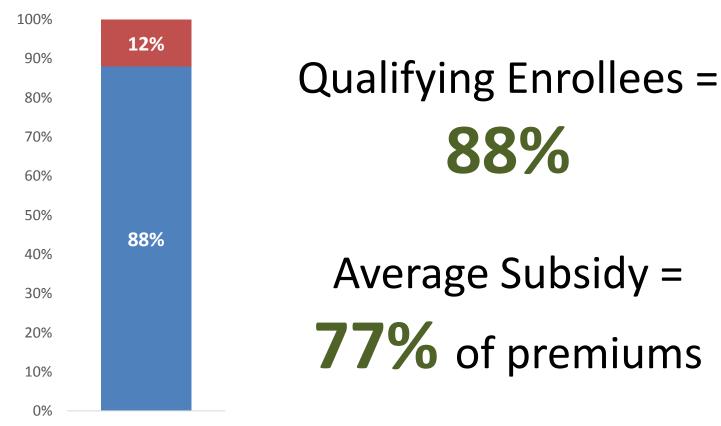
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Market definition is not seriously disputed

Percentage of public exchange enrollees in the Complaint counties that qualify for a subsidy



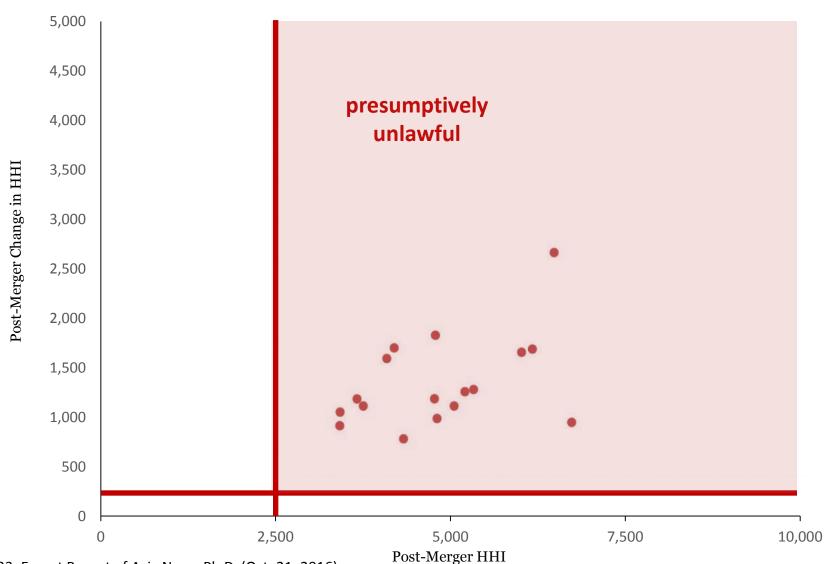
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October 2015: "We view [the exchanges] still as a big opportunity for the Company."

May 2016: Aetna tells HHS that it "would likely have to revisit its plans" for the exchanges if the merger is blocked

July 21: Antitrust Complaint filed

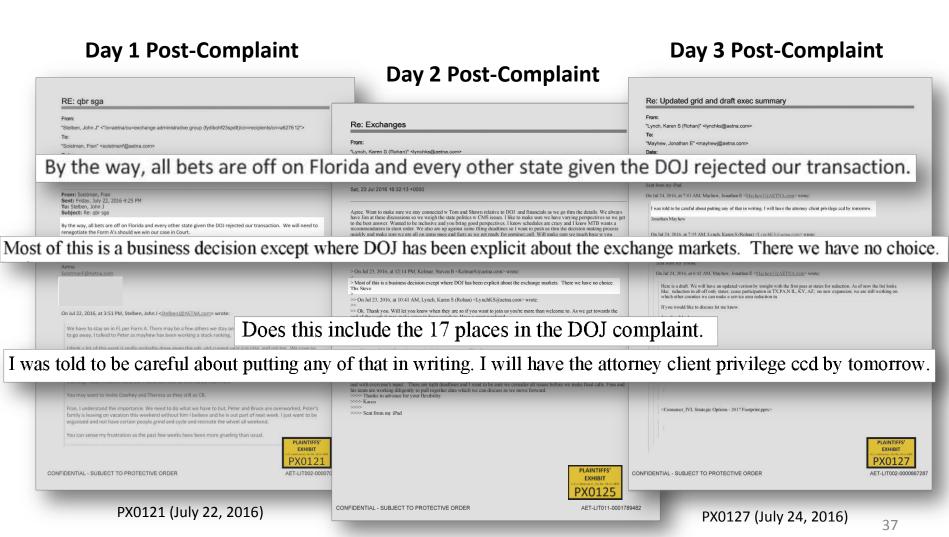
Oct. 2015 Dec. 2015 Feb. 2016 April 2016 June 2016 Aug. 2016

April 2016: "[W]e are encouraged by our year-to-date performance"

July 5: Aetna says in letter to DOJ that it "will immediately take action to reduce our 2017 exchange footprint" if a lawsuit is filed to block the merger

August 15: Aetna announces its withdrawal from 11 states, including those at issue in this case

Aetna's withdrawal from the exchanges should not be credited



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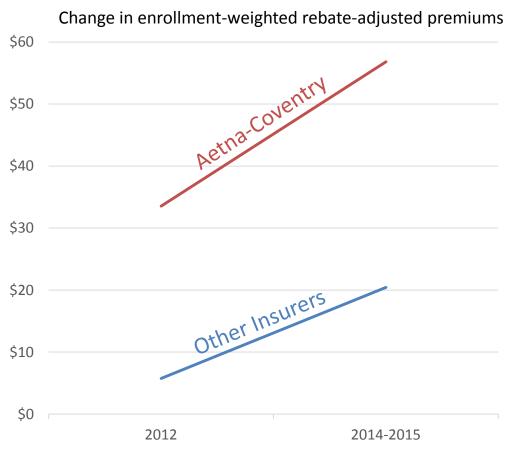
"[A]nticompetitive effects in one market [cannot] be justified by procompetitive consequences in another."

U.S. v. Philadelphia Nat'l Bank, 374 U.S. 321, 370 (1963)

"The court is not aware of any case, and Defendants have cited none, where the merging parties have successfully rebutted the government's *prima facie* case on the strength of the efficiencies."

FTC v. Sysco Co., 113 F. Supp. 3d 1, 82 (D.D.C. 2015)

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Despite efficiency claims before Aetna's merger with Coventry, prices went up relative to other insurers.





















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