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14(c) certificate proposed revisions

Please do not reduce or eliminate the use of commensurate wages or phase out work centers. I work for the Independence Center, Inc. in Waite Park, MN. We currently hold a 14 (c) certificate and employ approximately 40 individuals; many in the profound range of functioning completing center-based packaging and assembly. These revisions may take away their opportunity to participate in paid work. ICI offers an intense level of support to be able to provide work opportunity to everyone that desires to participate. This level of support would be made impossible without center based employment and commensurate wage certificates. In essence, it would take paying jobs away from 37 of the

40 individuals currently working. Please allow ICI to continue to offer this level of person centered services into the future.

Thank you, Bonnie Holm

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