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The National Treasury Employees Union

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VIA FACSIMILE

The Honorable Linda M. Springer
Director
Office of Personnel Management
Washington, D.C. 20415

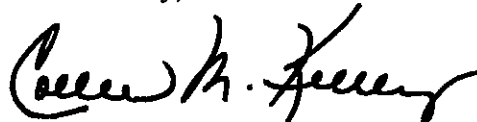
Dear Linda:

On behalf of the National Treasury Employees Union (NTEU) and our more than 150,000 federal workers in 30 government agencies, I am writing to request that you grant another extension of the open season enrollment period for the Federal Employees Dental and Vision Insurance Program. I appreciate your earlier decision to extend the enrollment period through tomorrow, December 15th. However, NTEU members continue to experience difficulties getting to the site on the internet or through the toll-free number. My staff just tried to visit the www.benefeds.com site and was routed to a page recommending that they try back another time.

As I am sure you know, there are only so many times a federal worker can set aside special time to enroll. I will be happy to share the slower traffic times you recommend with NTEU members, but I urge you to extend the belated enrollment period so that all federal workers who want to enroll, can access the enrollment site.

Thank you and I look forward to hearing from you soon.

Sincerely,



Colleen M. Kelley
National President