DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES   **MINNESOTA IT SERVICES**

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Dear Members of the Legislative Oversight Committee:

Enclosed is the quarterly fiscal report for the Minnesota Eligibility Technology System (METS). The report is submitted by the METS Executive Steering Committee (ESC) as required under Minnesota Statutes section 62V.055, subdivision 3.

As background and context on the quarterly presentation of the information:

- The first page provides an explanation of the tables in the report.
- Table 1 (page 2) "Overall Budget View" provides a four year budget overview of past, current and future years.
- Table 2 (page) "FY2022 vs. YTD (year to date)" provides expenditures in the current year through the quarter ending with the current report.

All current year spending is shown on a cash basis, meaning expenditures are shown in the quarter in which payment was made. Since many expenditures are contract or invoice payments, payments often lag behind when the expenditure is incurred or the work is performed.

The current report includes actual expenditures through the second quarter of fiscal year 2022, ending December 31, 2021. Of particular note:

1. In Table 2, we are projecting an underspend in development through the end of the year. Currently all work is on schedule and planned milestones are expected to met. The underspend is a result of overbudgeting.
2. Further down on Table 2, we are projecting the operations budget to be 95% spent in 2022. As we get closer to year end, we will balance out the individual categories, applying available funding in some areas to cover pressure in other areas.
3. A Federal Public Health Emergency remains in place in response to COVID-19. METS enhancement work may be slowed or stopped in order to prioritize system modifications needed as a result of COVID-related policy changes.

If you have any questions or concerns feel free to contact us.

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