

Operational Services

Exhibit - Statement of Purpose for Collecting Social Security Numbers

This Statement of Purpose is being given to you because you have been asked by the Cooperative to provide your social security number (SSN) or because you requested a copy of this Statement.

You are being asked for your SSN for one or more of the following reasons:

- Employment matters, e.g., income reporting to IRS and the IL Department of Revenue, tax withholding, FICA, or Medicare.
- Verifying enrollment in various benefit programs, e.g., medical benefits, health insurance claims, or veterans' programs.
- Filing insurance claims.
- Internal verification or administrative purposes.
- Other: _____

In addition, State law authorizes and/or requires the Cooperative to use or disclose your SSN in specified circumstances including, without limitation, in the following circumstances:

1. Disclosing SSNs to another governmental entity if the disclosure is necessary for the entity to perform its duties and responsibilities;
2. Disclosing SSNs pursuant to a court order, warrant, or subpoena; and
3. Collecting or using SSNs to investigate or prevent fraud, to conduct background checks, to collect a debt, or to obtain a credit report from a consumer reporting agency under the federal Fair Credit Reporting Act.

If you have questions or concerns, please contact the Executive Director.

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