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Your Email	<a href="mailto:prudentmallard@gmail.com">prudentmallard@gmail.com</a>
Your Message	<p>Dear Commissioner, My wife and I have been long-term policyholders of Blue Cross/Blue Shield of Louisiana, holding 2 Medicare Supplement policies and 2 long-term care policies. I urge you to oppose the merger with Elevance for several reasons. The change from a non-profit to a stockholder owned organization, where increased profits and dividends are the major corporate objective, does not bode well for policyholders. Blue Cross management claims that they cannot invest in technology to assist their members. Meanwhile they are sitting on a billion dollar reserve fund. It makes me suspicious that management has other motives as they encourage the sale. Our experience with BCBS of LA has been excellent, but instead of a change in ownership, BCBS needs a change in management. I appreciate the fine job that you have done for our state and hope that you will take this in consideration. P.S. In my past business life I was part of a company in a merger. The type of promises were made to our management. It did not turn out well for our firm.</p>