

**UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION
OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGES**

In the Matter of:

Caremark Rx, L.L.C.;

Zinc Health Services L.L.C.;

Express Scripts, Inc.;

Evernorth Health, Inc.;

Medco Health Services, Inc.;

Ascent Health Services L.L.C.;

OptumRx, Inc.;

OptumRx Holdings L.L.C.; and

Emisar Pharma Services L.L.C.,

Respondents.

Docket No. 9437

**RESPONDENTS CAREMARK RX, L.L.C. AND ZINC HEALTH SERVICES, L.L.C.'S
MOTION FOR LEAVE TO FILE A REPLY IN SUPPORT OF THEIR MOTION FOR A
SEPARATE EVIDENTIARY HEARING**

Respondents Caremark and Zinc met and conferred with Complaint Counsel on November 8,

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involved allegations of coordination between the respondents. The core issue in that case was whether the challenged practices “promote price uniformity by providing a vehicle for communicating current price information,” thereby “facilitating pricing coordination” between competitors. *Id.* at *127.

These cases stand in sharp contrast to this one, where, as Complaint Counsel concedes, there are no allegations of collusive or coordinated activity among Respondents. Complaint Counsel cannot point this Court to a single precedent where the Commission has filed a complaint against multiple parties that are not alleged to have colluded or coordinated with each other.

II. Common Claims and Requests for Relief Do Not Support a Consolidated Proceeding.

Complaint Counsel argues that this Court should decline to hold separate evidentiary hearings because “[e]ach Respondent is charged with violating the same law” and because Complaint Counsel “is seeking the same relief from all Respondents,” which, according to Complaint Counsel, is “in contrast to cases cited by Respondents.” Opp. Br. at 4–5.

IV. Conclusion.

For the reasons stated above and for the reasons stated in Caremark and Zinc’s Motion for a Separate Evidentiary Hearing, Caremark and Zinc respectfully request a separate evidentiary hearing in this matter.

Dated: November 12, 2024

Respectfully submitted,

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