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INDEPENDENT REGULATORY REVIEW COMMISSION 333 MARKET STREET, 14TH FLOOR, HARRISBURG, PA 17101

June 8, 2000

Honorable John M. Quain, Chairman Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission 104 North Office Building Harrisburg, PA 17105

Re: IRRC Regulation #57-189 (#1944)
Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission
Passenger Carrier Insurance

Dear Chairman Quain:

The Independent Regulatory Review Commission approved the subject regulation at its June 8, 2000 Public Meeting. Our Order is enclosed and is available on our website at http://www.irrc.state.pa.us.

We appreciate the joint effort that went into producing a regulation that met the criteria and intent of the Regulatory Review Act.

Sincerely,

John R. McGinley, Jr. Chairman

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Enclosure

cc: Rhonda L. Daviston Sherri DelBiondo

INDEPENDENT REGULATORY REVIEW COMMISSION

Commissioners Voting:

Public Meeting Held June 8, 2000

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Regulation No. 57-189
Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission
Passenger Carrier Insurance

On April 28, 1998, the Independent Regulatory Review Commission (Commission) received this proposed regulation from the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission (PUC). This rulemaking amends 52 Pa. Code Section 32.11. The authority for this regulation is 66 Pa.C.S. §§ 501, 504, 2412, and 2416. The proposed regulation was published in the May 9, 1998 Pennsylvania Bulletin with a 60-day public comment period. The final-form regulation was submitted to the Commission on May 18, 2000.

This final rulemaking clarifies the minimum amount of third-party liability insurance required for passenger carriers transporting fewer than 16 passengers. The proposal formalizes a PUC Policy Statement by clarifying that the amount of minimum third-party coverage refers to split coverage. The clarification of coverage amounts should reduce the number of disputes filed with the PUC and the number of lawsuits filed with the courts.

This regulation meets the criteria of the Regulatory Review Act.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

This regulation is approved.