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Robert E. Nyce, Executive Director
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VIA HAND-DELIVERY

*Re: Final Form Regulation 16A-576 (Advertising)
State Board of Veterinary Medicine*

Dear Mr. Nyce:

Enclosed please find a copy of Annex A for the above-noted regulation in the correct format. The format now conforms with IRRC's regulation at 1 Pa. Code §307.2(6) in that new language in the proposed regulation which is deleted in the final-form regulation is indicated by strikeout type and new language in the final-form regulation which was not included in the proposed regulation is indicated by capital letters. I apologize for any inconvenience this oversight may have caused.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Teresa Lazo-Miller".

Teresa Lazo-Miller, Esquire
Counsel, State Board of Veterinary Medicine

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Enclosure

c: John E. Nanorta, Jr., Esquire,
Independent Regulatory Review Commission (via Hand Delivery)
The Honorable Clarence D. Bell, Majority Chairman
Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure Committee (via First Class Mail)
The Honorable Mario J. Civera, Majority Chairman
Professional Licensure Committee (via First Class Mail)
The Honorable William W. Rieger, Minority Chairman
Professional Licensure Committee (via First Class Mail)
Jane Demko, Office of General Counsel (via Hand Delivery)

Annex A

TITLE 49. PROFESSIONAL AND VOCATIONAL STANDARDS

PART I. DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Subpart A. Professional and Occupational Affairs

CHAPTER 31. STATE BOARD OF VETERINARY MEDICINE

PROFESSIONAL CONDUCT

Principle 5. Advertising

(c) Advertising BY VETERINARIANS for emergency veterinary services shall provide information as to whether a veterinarian is on the premises; or on call, and as to any limitation on SHALL SPECIFY THE hours during which emergency services may not be ARE available.

(1) For the purposes of this section, "on the premises" means that a veterinarian is physically present in AT the veterinary establishment and IS immediately available TO RENDER EMERGENCY SERVICES. and "On call" means that the A veterinarian is available TO RETURN CALLS REQUESTING EMERGENCY SERVICES WITHIN A REASONABLE TIME AND IS AVAILABLE TO RENDER EMERGENCY SERVICES within a reasonable time.

(2) VETERINARIANS SHALL DISCLOSE SPECIFIC LIMITATIONS (I.E. EXOTICS/AVIAN/LARGE ANIMAL/SMALL ANIMAL) WHEN ADVERTISING EMERGENCY SERVICES.