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August 9, 1999

Marc P. Volavka, Executive Director
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225 Market Street, Suite 400
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Re: IRRC Regulation #100-14 (#1995)
Pennsylvania Health Care Cost Containment Council
Severity Methodology

Dear Mr. Volavka

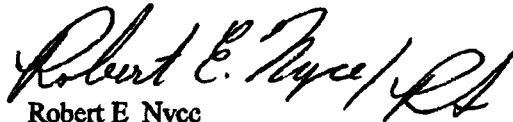
During our review of the above final-form regulation submitted on July 28, 1999, we discovered that one of the chapters being amended, Chapter 911, was a statement of policy, not a regulation.

After discussing this irregularity with the staff at the Legislative Reference Bureau, it was agreed that Chapter 911 should not have been included in the published proposed rule. Statements of policy are not reviewed under the Regulatory Review Act. You may submit changes to Chapter 911 directly to the LRB.

Because Chapter 911 is a statement of policy, our review of your July 28 submittal will be limited to Chapter 912. Additionally, since we did not comment on Chapter 912, this final-form regulation will be deemed approved on August 18, 1999, unless one of the standing committees objects.

If you have any questions on this matter, please contact me at 783-5506

Sincerely,



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Executive Director

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cc: Honorable Harold F. Mowery
Honorable Vincent J. Hughes
Honorable Dennis M. O'Brien
Honorable Frank L. Oliver
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