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Mr. Robert E. Nyce
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Independent Regulatory Review Commission
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Dear Mr. Nyce:

The Independent Regulatory Review Commission has suggested revisions to sections of the final form regulation #14-462 (relating to Expansion of Income Limits (Qualifying Individuals)), that were submitted for your review on August 31, 1999. At the Commission's request, we are requesting that the time for review of the regulations be tolled to revise Sections 140.202 (relating to definitions), 140.231 (relating to income eligibility limitations) and 140.331 (relating to benefit coverage).

The revisions reflect a clarification of benefit coverage in Section 140.331 and removing the language "entitled to or voluntarily" in Sections 140.202 as requested by the Commission. In addition, we are removing the words "and disregards" in Section 140.231 (a), (b), (c) and (d) because the word "deductions" fully explains income limits. The preamble will also include revisions to address these changes.

Sincerely,

Sherri Z. Heller

cc: The Honorable Harold F. Mowery

The Honorable Vincent J. Hughes The Honorable Dennis M. O'Brien

The Honorable Frank L. Oliver

Howard Burde, Deputy General Counsel