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December 2, 1999

Honorable John E. Jones, III, Chairman
Pennsylvania Liquor Control Board
518 Northwest Office Building
Harrisburg, PA 17124

Re: IRRC Regulation #54-56 (#2076)
Pennsylvania Liquor Control Board
Vendor Registration and New Year's Eve Meal Package

Dear Chairman Jones:

The Independent Regulatory Review Commission approved the subject regulation at its December 2, 1999 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,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John R. McGinley, Jr.", is written over a circular embossed seal.

John R. McGinley, Jr.
Chairman

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Enclosure
cc: Jerry Danyluk
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Pennsylvania Liquor Control Board

Regulation No. 54-56

Vendor Registration and New Year's Eve Meal Package

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

On November 8, 1999, the Independent Regulatory Review Commission (Commission) received this regulation from the Pennsylvania Liquor Control Board (LCB). This rulemaking amends 40 Pa. Code Chapters 3, 11 and 13. The authority for this regulation is Section 207(i) of the Liquor Code (47 P.S. Section 2-207(i)). Notice of proposed rulemaking was omitted for this regulation; it will become effective upon publication in the *Pennsylvania Bulletin*.

This regulation eliminates the registration and issuance of identification cards to vendors' agents and permits hotels to offer an open bar with a meal package to their overnight guests on December 31, 1999.

The LCB estimates that approximately 330 promotional/sales agents licensed in Pennsylvania will benefit from the regulation. Vendors will save an estimated \$21,450 in registration fees and additional costs associated with photograph and application requirements. The LCB will realize savings by not processing the applications and issuing identifications. Hotels in the Commonwealth will benefit by being able to compete with hotels in neighboring states.

This regulation meets the criteria of the Regulatory Review Act.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED THAT:

1. Regulation No. 54-56 from the Pennsylvania Liquor Control Board, as submitted to the Commission on November 8, 1999, is approved; and
2. The Commission will transmit a copy of this Order to the Legislative Reference Bureau.



John R. McGinley, Jr., Chairman

