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INDEPENDENT REGULATORY REVIEW COMMISSION

333 MARKET STREET, 14TH FLOOR, HARRISBURG, PA 17101

February 15, 2001

Honorable Samuel E. Hayes, Jr., Secretary Department of Agriculture 211 Agriculture Building 2301 North Cameron Street Harrisburg, PA 17110

Re: Regulation #2-122 (IRRC #2090)
Department of Agriculture

Farm Safety and Occupational Health Developmental and Instructional Program

Dear Secretary Hayes:

The Independent Regulatory Review Commission approved your regulation on February 15, 2001. Our Order is enclosed and is available on our website at 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 wbg

Enclosure

cc: Honorable Raymond Bunt, Jr., Majority Chairman, House Agriculture & Rural Affairs Committee Honorable Peter J. Daley, II, Democratic Chairman, House Agriculture & Rural Affairs Committee Honorable Mike Waugh, Chairman, Senate Agriculture & Rural Affairs Committee Honorable Michael A. O'Pake, Minority Chairman, Senate Agriculture & Rural Affairs Committee John Tacclosky, Department of Agriculture Phillip Pitzer, Department of Agriculture

INDEPENDENT REGULATORY REVIEW COMMISSION APPROVAL ORDER

Commissioners Voting:

Public Meeting Held February 15, 2001

John R. McGinley, Jr., Chairman Alvin C. Bush, Vice Chairman Arthur Coccodrilli, by Proxy Robert J. Harbison, III John F. Mizner, by Phone

Regulation No. 2-122
Department of Agriculture
Farm Safety and Occupational Health
Developmental and Instructional Program

On January 31, 2000, the Independent Regulatory Review Commission (Commission) received this proposed regulation from the Department of Agriculture (Department). This rulemaking adds Chapter 138j to 7 Pa. Code. The proposed regulation was published in the February 12, 2000 *Pennsylvania Bulletin* with a 30-day public comment period. The final-form regulation was submitted to the Commission on January 24, 2001.

The regulation is a grant program intended for the Pennsylvania Fire Academy, colleges, universities, community colleges, or vocational or technical schools. These institutions may apply for annual grants, up to \$30,000, for providing technical courses of instruction in farm safety and occupational health.

We have determined this regulation is consistent with the statutory authority of the Department (3 P.S. §§ 1905 and 1906(c)(1)) and the intention of the General Assembly. Having considered all of the other criteria of the Regulatory Review Act, we find promulgation of this regulation is in the public interest.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

This regulation is approved.

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John R. McGinley, Jr., Chairman