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INDEPENDENT REGULATORY REVIEW COMMISSION 333 MARKET STREET, 14TH FLOOR, HARRISBURG, PA 17101

November 2, 2000

Thomas J. Baumgartner, CPA, Chairman State Board of Accountancy 116 Pine Street Harrisburg, PA 17105

Re: Regulation #16A-558 (IRRC #2114)

State Board of Accountancy

Fees

Dear Chairman Baumgartner:

The Independent Regulatory Review Commission approved your regulation on November 2, 2000. 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,

Vice Chairman

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Enclosure

cc: Honorable Mario J. Civera, Jr., Majority Chairman, House Professional Licensure Committee Honorable William W. Rieger, Democratic Chair, House Professional Licensure Committee

Honorable Clarence D. Bell, Chairman, Senate Consumer Protection & Professional Licensure Committee

Honorable Lisa M. Boscola, Minority Chairman, Senate Consumer Protection & Professional Licensure Committee

Honorable Kim Pizzingrilli, Secretary of the Commonwealth

David Williams, Deputy Commissioner, Bureau of Professional and Occupational Affairs

Steven Wennberg, Board Counsel, State Board of Accountancy

Joyce McKeever, Deputy Chief Counsel, Department of State

INDEPENDENT REGULATORY REVIEW COMMISSION APPROVAL ORDER

Commissioners Voting:

Public Meeting Held November 2, 2000

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

Regulation No. 16A-558
State Board of Accountancy
Fees

On May 3, 2000, the Independent Regulatory Review Commission (Commission) received this proposed regulation from the State Board of Accountancy (Board). This rulemaking amends 49 Pa. Code §§ 11.4, 11.5 and 11.17. The proposed regulation was published in the May 13, 2000 *Pennsylvania Bulletin* with a 30-day public comment period. The final-form regulation was submitted to the Commission on October 2, 2000.

In response to a recent audit, the Board is increasing four fees to generate revenue to cover the actual costs of the services. These fees were last revised in 1990. In addition, the regulation implements the statutory requirement that the Board establish a new fee for the reinstatement of inactive or expired licenses.

We have determined this regulation is consistent with the statutory authority of the Board (63 P.S. §§ 9.3(a)(6), 9.6 and 9.9b(d)(2)) 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.



Alvin C. Bush, Vice Chairman