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

May 30, 2002

Honorable C. Michael Weaver, Acting Chairperson Navigation Commission for the Delaware River and its Navigable Tributaries 302 North Office Building Harrisburg, PA 17105

Re: Regulation #16A-662 (IRRC #2126)

Navigation Commission for the Delaware River and its Navigable Tributaries

Navigation Licensure and Renewal

Dear Acting Chairperson Weaver:

The Independent Regulatory Review Commission approved your regulation on May 30, 2002. 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 meets the criteria and intent of the Regulatory Review Act.

Sincerely,

Alvin C. Bush Vice Chairman

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Enclosure

cc: Honorable Mario J. Civera, Jr., Majority Chairman, House Professional Licensure Committee Honorable William W. Rieger, Democratic Chairman, House Professional Licensure Committee Honorable Clarence D. Bell, Chairman, Senate Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure Committee

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

INDEPENDENT REGULATORY REVIEW COMMISSION APPROVAL ORDER

Commissioners Voting:

Public Meeting Held May 30, 2002

John R. McGinley, Jr., Chairman, by Phone Alvin C. Bush, Vice Chairman Arthur Coccodrilli John F. Mizner Regulation No. 16A-662 Navigation Commission for the Delaware River and its Navigable Tributaries Navigation Licensure and Renewal

On June 14, 2000, the Independent Regulatory Review Commission (Commission) received this proposed regulation from the Navigation Commission for the Delaware River and its Navigable Tributaries (NCDR). This rulemaking amends Chapters 401, 402 and 405, and deletes Chapter 403 of Title 4 Pa. Code. The proposed regulation was published in the June 24, 2000 *Pennsylvania Bulletin* with a 30-day public comment period. The final-form regulation was submitted to the Commission on May 1, 2002.

The final-form regulation implements requirements relating to drug testing, continuing education, specialized training and mandatory pilot trips to ensure current knowledge of river conditions; eliminates obsolete or unnecessary provisions; and improves organization and clarity. The NCDR indicates that this regulation will have little to no fiscal impact on the regulated community, Commonwealth, local governments or private sector.

We have determined this regulation is consistent with the statutory authority of the NCDR (55 P.S. § 31 and 71 P.S. § 670.2(4)) 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