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## INDEPENDENT REGULATORY REVIEW COMMISSION

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

April 14, 2005

Honorable Wendell Holland, Chairman Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission Keystone Building, 3rd Floor 400 North Street Harrisburg, PA 17105

Re: Regulation #57-223 (IRRC #2328)
Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission
Filing Requirements Relating to Water and Wastewater Public Utilities

Dear Chairman Holland:

The Independent Regulatory Review Commission approved the subject regulation today. Our Order is enclosed and will be available on our website at <a href="https://www.irrc.state.pa.us">www.irrc.state.pa.us</a>.

We appreciate the joint effort that went into producing a regulation that meets the criteria and intent of the Regulatory Review Act.

Sincerely,

John R. McGinley, Jr.

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**Enclosure** 

cc: Honorable Robert M. Tomlinson, Chairman, Senate Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure Committee

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

Honorable Robert J. Flick, Majority Chairman, House Consumer Affairs Committee Honorable Joseph Preston, Jr., Democratic Chairman, House Consumer Affairs Committee

## INDEPENDENT REGULATORY REVIEW COMMISSION APPROVAL ORDER

Commissioners Voting:

Public Meeting Held April 14, 2005

John R. McGinley, Jr., Esq., Chairman Alvin C. Bush, Vice Chairman, by Phone Daniel F. Clark, Esq. Arthur Coccodrilli Murray Ufberg, Esq.

Regulation No. 57-223
Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission
Filing Requirements Relating to Water
and Wastewater Public Utilities

On February 19, 2003, the Independent Regulatory Review Commission (Commission) received this proposed regulation from the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission (PUC). This rulemaking amends 52 Pa. Code Chapter 53. The proposed regulation was published in the March 1, 2003 *Pennsylvania Bulletin* with a 30-day public comment period. The final-form regulation was submitted to the Commission on March 2, 2005.

This rulemaking revises the filing requirements for water and wastewater public utilities when they request a general rate increase in excess of one million dollars. These filing requirements are more streamlined than those in existing regulation and also delete obsolete requirements.

We have determined this regulation is consistent with the statutory authority of the PUC (66 Pa.C.S. § 501(b)) 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