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April 24, 2003

Honorable Allen D. Biehler, Secretary Department of Transportation Keystone Building, 8<sup>th</sup> Floor 400 North Street Harrisburg, PA 17120

Re: Regulation #18-371 (IRRC #2335) Department of Transportation Liquid Fuels Tax Funds

Dear Secretary Biehler:

The Independent Regulatory Review Commission approved your regulation today. Our Order is enclosed and is available on our website at <u>www.irrc.state.pa.us</u>.

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 evp Enclosure cc: Honorable

: Honorable Richard A. Geist, Majority Chairman, House Transportation Committee Honorable Keith R. McCall, Democratic Chairman, House Transportation Committee Honorable Roger A. Madigan, Chairman, Senate Transportation Committee Honorable J. Barry Stout, Minority Chairman, Senate Transportation Committee

## INDEPENDENT REGULATORY REVIEW COMMISSION APPROVAL ORDER

**Commissioners Voting:** 

Public Meeting Held April 24, 2003

Alvin C. Bush, Vice Chairman Arthur Coccodrilli Robert J. Harbison, III Murray Ufberg, Esq.

Regulation No. 18-371 Department of Transportation Liquid Fuels Tax Funds

On March 17, 2003, the Independent Regulatory Review Commission (Commission) received this regulation from the Department of Transportation (Department). This rulemaking amends 67 Pa. Code Chapter 449. Notice of proposed rulemaking was omitted for this regulation; it will become effective upon publication in the *Pennsylvania Bulletin*.

This rulemaking amends annual reporting forms and documents needed by municipalities to qualify for annual liquid fuels tax funds. It also increases the threshold level from \$4,000 to \$10,000 for competitive bidding, advertising and bonding requirements. These changes are needed to make the regulations consistent with existing statutes.

We have determined this regulation is consistent with the statutory authority of the Department (75 Pa.C.S. §§ 6103 and 9511) 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