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May 8, 2003

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

Re: Regulation #18-383 (IRRC #2337)
Department of Transportation
Enhanced Emission Inspection Program

Dear Secretary Biehler:

The Independent Regulatory Review Commission approved your regulation today. Our Order is enclosed and will be 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,

John R. McGinley, Jr.

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Enclosure

cc: 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 May 8, 2003

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

Regulation No. 18-383
Department of Transportation
Enhanced Emission Inspection Program

On April 9, 2003, the Independent Regulatory Review Commission (Commission) received this regulation from the Department of Transportation. This rulemaking amends 67 Pa. Code Chapter 177. Notice of proposed rulemaking was omitted for this regulation; it will become effective upon publication in the *Pennsylvania Bulletin*.

This regulation adopts alternate revised final exhaust emission standards developed by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency for vehicles subject to the acceleration simulation mode test. These standards are designed for emissions testing in the five-county Philadelphia area (Bucks, Chester, Delaware, Montgomery and Philadelphia counties).

We have determined this regulation is consistent with the statutory authority of the Department of Transportation (75 Pa. C.S. §§ 4103, 4531, 4701, 4706 and 6103) 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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