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April 29, 2004

Honorable Kathleen A. McGinty, Chairperson  
Environmental Quality Board  
Rachel Carson State Office Building  
400 Market Street, 16th Floor  
Harrisburg, PA 17101

Re: Regulation #7-384 (IRRC #2344)  
Environmental Quality Board  
Safe Drinking Water; Long Term 1 Enhanced Surface Water Treatment Rule

Dear Chairperson McGinty:

The Independent Regulatory Review Commission approved the subject regulation today. Our Order is enclosed and will be available on our website at [www.irrc.state.pa.us](http://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,

Robert E. Nyce  
Executive Director

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Enclosure

cc: Honorable Mary Jo White, Chairman, Senate Environmental Resources and Energy Committee  
Honorable Raphael J. Musto, Minority Chairman, Senate Environmental Resources and Energy Committee  
Honorable William F. Adolph, Jr., Majority Chairman, House Environmental Resources and Energy Committee  
Honorable Camille George, Democratic Chairman, House Environmental Resources and Energy Committee

**INDEPENDENT REGULATORY REVIEW COMMISSION  
APPROVAL ORDER**

Commissioners Voting:

Public Meeting Held April 29, 2004

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Regulation No. 7-384  
Environmental Quality Board  
Safe Drinking Water; Long Term 1  
Enhanced Surface Water Treatment Rule

On July 15, 2003, the Independent Regulatory Review Commission (Commission) received this proposed regulation from the Environmental Quality Board (Board). This rulemaking amends 25 Pa. Code Chapter 109. The proposed regulation was published in the July 26, 2003 *Pennsylvania Bulletin* with a 30-day public comment period. The final-form regulation was submitted to the Commission on March 23, 2004.

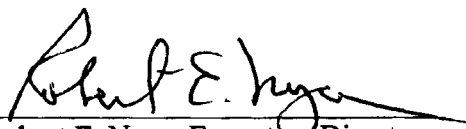
The regulation amends existing provisions in the Safe Drinking Water program. It will extend measures designed to control and reduce *Cryptosporidium* to public drinking water systems serving less than 10,000 people. The amendments represent the second phase in adopting federal standards to protect the public from *Cryptosporidium*.

We have determined this regulation is consistent with the statutory authority of the Board (35 P.S. § 721.4(a) and 71 P.S. § 510-20(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.



  
Robert E. Nyce, Executive Director