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

March 21, 2006

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

Re: Regulation #57-236 (IRRC #2441)
Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission
Practice and Procedure Before the Commission

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 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., Esq.

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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 March 21, 2006

John R. McGinley Jr., Esq., Chairman Alvin C. Bush, Vice Chairman Arthur Coccodrilli John F. Mizner, Esq. Murray Ufberg, Esq.

Regulation No. 57-236
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On October 15, 2004, the Independent Regulatory Review Commission (Commission) received this proposed regulation from the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission. This rulemaking amends 52 Pa. Code Chapters 1, 3 and 5. The proposed regulation was published in the October 30, 2004 *Pennsylvania Bulletin* with a 60-day public comment period. The final-form regulation was submitted to the Commission on February 9, 2006.

This regulation amends the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission's procedural rules to align them with current practice and to make them similar to those used in Pennsylvania courts.

We have determined this regulation is consistent with the statutory authority of the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission (66 Pa.C.S.A. §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.



olin R. McGinley, Jr., Esq., Chairman