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INDEPENDENT REGULATORY REVIEW COMMISSION 333 Market Street, 14th Floor, Harrisburg, PA 17101

June 21, 2007

Honorable Stephen M. Schmerin, Secretary Department of Labor and Industry 1700 Labor and Industry Building Harrisburg, PA 17120

Re: Regulation #12-67 (IRRC #2484) Department of Labor and Industry General Provisions

Dear Secretary Schmerin:

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,

Chairman
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Enclosure
cc: Honorable John R. Gordner, Chairman, Senate Labor and Industry Committee
Honorable Christine M. Tartaglione, Minority Chairman, Senate Labor and Industry
Committee

Honorable Robert E. Belfanti, Jr., Majority Chairman, House Labor Relations Committee Honorable Gene DiGirolamo, Minority Chairman, House Labor Relations Committee

INDEPENDENT REGULATORY REVIEW COMMISSION APPROVAL ORDER

Commissioners Voting:

Public Meeting Held June 21, 2007

Arthur Coccodrilli, Chairman David M. Barasch, Esq. David J. DeVries, Esq., by Phone John F. Mizner, Esq.

Regulation No. 12-67 (#2484) Department of Labor and Industry General Provisions

On June 27, 2005, the Independent Regulatory Review Commission (Commission) received this proposed regulation from the Department of Labor and Industry (Department). This rulemaking amends 34 Pa. Code Chapter 121. The proposed regulation was published in the July 9, 2005 *Pennsylvania Bulletin* with a 30-day public comment period. The final-form regulation was submitted to the Commission on May 21, 2007.

This final-form rulemaking updates and clarifies administrative procedures followed by employees, employers and insurers in their transactions with the Bureau of Workers' Compensation.

We have determined this regulation is consistent with the statutory authority of the Department (77 P.S. §§ 710 and 991(a)) 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.

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BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

This regulation is approved.



Arthur Coccodrilli, Chairman