#14-506-21)

Original: 2539 RECEIVERN SACCA Pennsylvania School-Age Child Care Alliance 2006 JUL - 5 PM 3 12 NDEPENDENT REGULATORY REMEW COMMISSION

RECEIVED

JUN 3 0 2006

OFFICE OF CHILD DEVELOPMENT

June 30, 2006

Jennifer Lau Bureau of Certification Services Office of Child Development Department of Public Welfare 1401 North 7th Street P.O Box 2675 Harrisburg, PA 17105

RE: 14-506

Dear Jennifer,

The Pennsylvania School Age Child Care Alliance (PENN SACCA) recently held a meeting with its board of directors to discuss the proposed childcare regulation changes. On behalf of the PENN SACCA Board, we are writing to support the following proposed changes. After much discussion of all the proposed regulation changes, the board unanimously supports, children with special needs, preschool/young school age definition, precertification orientation training, playground surfaces, hazardous products and night care. The board agrees these changes will benefit the school age childcare field the most.

Again, we would like to announce the Penn SACCA support of the proposed regulation changes, children with special needs, preschool/young school age definition, precertification orientation training, playground surfaces, hazardous products and night care. The board recognizes the importance of regulations and the impact they have on the care provided to our children and their families.

Thank you for your time and thoughtful consideration to this matter.

Sincerely,

Robin Foltz Michelle Russell

PENN SACCA Public Policy Committee Co-Chairs

Cc: Joyce Lang Carolyn Hawk