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INDEPENDENT REGULATORY REVIEW COMMISSION

September 18, 2008 333 MARKET STREET, 14TH FLOOR, HARRISBURG, PA 17101

Honorable Jeffrey A. Beard, Ph.D., Secretary
Department of Corrections
2520 Lisburn Road
P. O. Box 598
Camp Hill, PA 17011

Re: Regulation #19-9 (IRRC #2590)
Department of Corrections
State Intermediate Punishment

Dear Secretary Beard:

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,

Arthur Coccodrilli

Chairman

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Enclosure

cc: Honorable Stewart J. Greenleaf, Chairman, Senate Judiciary Committee
Honorable Jay Costa, Jr., Minority Chairman, Senate Judiciary Committee
Honorable Thomas R. Caltagirone, Majority Chairman, House Judiciary Committee
Honorable Ronald S. Marsico, Minority Chairman, House Judiciary Committee

**INDEPENDENT REGULATORY REVIEW COMMISSION
APPROVAL ORDER**

Commissioners Voting:

Public Meeting Held September 18, 2008

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Regulation No. 19-9 (#2590)
Department of Corrections
State Intermediate Punishment

On February 1, 2007, the Independent Regulatory Review Commission (Commission) received this proposed regulation from the Department of Corrections (Department). This rulemaking amends 37 Pa. Code 97. The proposed regulation was published in the February 17, 2007 *Pennsylvania Bulletin* with a 30-day public comment period. The final-form regulation was submitted to the Commission on July 25, 2008.

This regulation implements the directive of Act 112 of 2004 to establish in regulation the assessment and operating procedures for the Drug Offender Treatment Program.

We have determined this regulation is consistent with the statutory authority of the Department (42 Pa.C.S. §9906) 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.





Arthur Coccodrilli, Chairman