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INDEPENDENT REGULATORY REVIEW COMMISSION

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April 17, 2008

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

Re: Regulation #7-408 (IRRC #2598)
Environmental Quality Board
Permit Streamlining

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.

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 Mary Jo White, Chairman, Senate Environmental Resources and Energy Committee
Honorable Raphael J. Musto, Minority Chairman, Senate Environmental Resources and Energy Committee
Honorable Camille George, Majority Chairman, House Environmental Resources and Energy Committee
Honorable Scott E. Hutchinson, Minority Chairman, House Environmental Resources and Energy Committee

**INDEPENDENT REGULATORY REVIEW COMMISSION
APPROVAL ORDER**

Commissioners Voting:

Public Meeting Held April 17, 2008

Arthur Coccodrilli, Chairman
Nancy Sabol Frantz, Esq.
Karen A. Miller, Abstained

Regulation No. 7-408 (#2598)
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On March 9, 2007, the Independent Regulatory Review Commission (Commission) received this proposed regulation from the Environmental Quality Board (Board). This rulemaking amends 25 Pa. Code Chapter 127. The proposed regulation was published in the March 24, 2007 *Pennsylvania Bulletin* with a 62-day public comment period. The final-form regulation was submitted to the Commission on March 14, 2008.

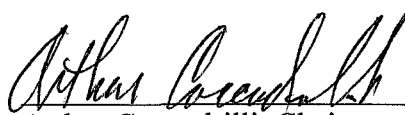
This regulation streamlines the air quality permitting process by adding provisions relating to completeness determinations for applications for plan approval, revising certain public notice and public comment provisions related to plan approval applications and extending from 120 to 180 days the duration for temporary operation of the source to allow more compliance testing.

We have determined this regulation is consistent with the statutory authority of the Board (35 P.S. §§ 4005(a)(1) and 4006.1(b.3)) 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