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May 15, 2008

Mr. Kim Kaufman
Executive Director
Independent Regulatory Review Commission
333 Market Street, 14th floor
Harrisburg, PA 17101

RE: Regulation #006-306 (2618)
State Board of Education
22 Pa Code Chapter 14
Special Education Services and Programs

Dear Mr. Kaufman:

By letter dated May 15, 2008, the Independent Regulatory Review Commission suggested tolling this regulation to consider a revision to the definition of the term "early intervention services" in section 14.101 and also to amend the phrase "qualified educational interpreter" in section 14.105(b)(1)(ii).

Through this letter the State Board of Education (Board) is simultaneously requesting that consideration of the final-form regulation be tolled and is resubmitting a revised Annex A. In the Annex, the Board has revised the definition of early intervention services to revert to the language contained in the current regulation which reads: "as defined in the act." The Board has also revised the phrase "qualified educational interpreter" to read "qualified sign language interpreter" to be consistent with the Sign Language Interpreter and Transliterator Registration Act. Both these changes are consistent with the recommendations suggested by the Independent Regulatory Review Commission.

If you have questions regarding this regulation, please contact me at 787-3787 or jbuckheit@state.pa.us.

Sincerely,

Jim Buckheit
Executive Director

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Glenda Davidson