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INDEPENDENT REGULATORY REVIEW COMMISSION

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May 13, 2010

Honorable John Hanger, Chairman
Environmental Quality Board
Rachel Carson State Office Building
400 Market Street, 16th Floor
Harrisburg, PA 17101

Re: Regulation #7-420 (IRRC #2683)
Environmental Quality Board
Control of NOx Emissions from Glass Melting Furnaces

Dear Chairman Hanger:

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, Majority 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 May 13, 2010

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Regulation No. 7-420 (#2683)
Environmental Quality Board
Control of NO_x Emissions from Glass Melting
Furnaces

On April 7, 2008, the Independent Regulatory Review Commission (Commission) received this proposed regulation from the Environmental Quality Board (EQB). This rulemaking amends 25 Pa. Code Chapters 121 and 129. The proposed regulation was published in the April 19, 2008 *Pennsylvania Bulletin* with a 65-day public comment period. The final-form regulation was submitted to the Commission on April 12, 2010.

The regulation updates and revises nitrogen oxides (NO_x) emission standards, procedures and requirements for glass melting furnaces. This regulatory program is a component of the air quality strategy recommended by the Ozone Transport Commission.

We have determined this regulation is consistent with the statutory authority of the EQB (35 P.S. § 4005(a)(1)) 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