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INDEPENDENT REGULATORY REVIEW COMMISSION

333 MARKET STREET, 14TH FLOOR, HARRISBURG, PA 17101

August 20, 2009

Honorable Joel Scott Ario, Commissioner Insurance Department 1326 Strawberry Square Harrisburg, PA 17120

Re: Regulation #11-241 (IRRC #2709) Insurance Department Military Sales Practices

Dear Commissioner Ario:

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,

Chairman

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Enclosure

cc: Honorable Donald C. White, Majority Chairman, Senate Banking and Insurance Committee Honorable Michael J. Stack, III, Minority Chairman, Senate Banking and Insurance Committee

Honorable Tony DeLuca, Majority Chairman, House Insurance Committee Honorable Nicholas A. Micozzie, Minority Chairman, House Insurance Committee

INDEPENDENT REGULATORY REVIEW COMMISSION APPROVAL ORDER

Commissioners Voting:

Public Meeting Held August 20, 2009

Arthur Coccodrilli, Chairman George D. Bedwick, Vice Chairman Silvan B. Lutkewitte III, Abstained John F. Mizner, Esq.

Regulation No. 11-241 (#2709)
Insurance Department
Military Sales Practices

On July 18, 2008, the Independent Regulatory Review Commission (Commission) received this proposed regulation from the Insurance Department (Department). This rulemaking adds 31 Pa. Code Chapter 146d. The proposed regulation was published in the August 2, 2008 *Pennsylvania Bulletin* with a 30-day public comment period. The final-form regulation was submitted to the Commission on July 20, 2009.

This regulation establishes standards to protect active duty service members of the United States Armed Forces from dishonest and predatory insurance sales practices.

We have determined this regulation is consistent with the statutory authority of the Department (71 P.S. § 186, implementing the Unfair Insurance Practices Act) 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.

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