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

August 20, 2008

Honorable Estelle B. Richman, Secretary
Department of Public Welfare
333 Health and Welfare Building
Harrisburg, PA 17120

Re: Regulation #14-514 (IRRC #2712)
Department of Public Welfare
Assisted Living Residences

Dear Secretary Richman:

On August 16, 2008, your Department published a notice of correction in the *Pennsylvania Bulletin* (38 Pa.B. 4514) for the above referenced proposed regulation. This notice extended the public comment period for this proposed regulation to September 15, 2008.

At the close of the public comment period, our 30-day comment period will begin. Since your Department extended the public comment period, the due date for our comments of October 8, 2008, no longer applies. Consequently, if our Commission has any comments, they will be issued on October 15, 2008. The House Aging and Older Adult Services Committee and Senate Public Health and Welfare Committee may also provide comments at any time before delivery of the final-form regulation.

When the final-form regulation is delivered, your Department will be required to respond to any comments received. If the final-form regulation is not delivered by September 15, 2010, this regulation will be deemed withdrawn.

If you or your staff have any questions, please contact me.

Sincerely,

Kim Kaufman
Executive Director
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cc: Honorable Ted B. Erickson, Chairman, Senate Public Health and Welfare Committee
Honorable Vincent J. Hughes, Minority Chairman, Senate Public Health and Welfare
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