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INDEPENDENT REGULATORY REVIEW COMMISSION

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

July 23, 2009

Honorable Everette James, Secretary Department of Health 802 Health and Welfare Building Harrisburg, PA 17108

Re: Regulation #10-180 (IRRC #2718) Department of Health Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants and Children (WIC Program)

Dear Secretary James:

The Independent Regulatory Review Commission approved the subject regulation today. Our order is enclosed and will be available on our website at <u>www.irrc.state.pa.us</u>.

We appreciate the joint effort that went into producing a regulation that meets the criteria and intent of the Regulatory Review Act.

Sincerely,

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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 Committee

Honorable Frank L. Oliver, Majority Chairman, House Health and Human Services Committee

Honorable Matthew Baker, Minority Chairman, House Health and Human Services Committee

INDEPENDENT REGULATORY REVIEW COMMISSION APPROVAL ORDER

Commissioners Voting:

Arthur Coccodrilli, Chairman George D. Bedwick, Vice Chairman S. David Fineman, Esq., by Phone Nancy Sabol Frantz, Esq. John F. Mizner, Esq. Public Meeting Held July 23, 2009

Regulation No. 10-180 (#2718) Department of Health Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants and Children (WIC Program)

On August 15, 2008, the Independent Regulatory Review Commission (Commission) received this proposed regulation from the Department of Health (Department). This rulemaking amends 28 Pa. Code Chapters 1101 to 1113. The proposed regulation was published in the August 30, 2008 *Pennsylvania Bulletin* with a 30-day public comment period. The final-form regulation was submitted to the Commission on June 4, 2009.

This regulation amends existing regulations governing the authorization and management of stores participating in the Special Supplemental Nutrition for Women, Infants and Children (WIC) Program.

We have determined this regulation is consistent with the statutory authority of the Department (71 P.S. § 532(g), *implementing the federal Child Nutrition and WIC Reauthorization Act of 2004*) 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.



Alux Charm

Arthur Coccodrilli, Chairman