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

RE: Final Regulation
Bureau of Professional and Occupational Affairs
16-43 – Schedule of Civil Penalties for Engineer, Land Surveyors, and Geologists

Dear Mr. Kaufman:

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended the House Professional Licensure Committee approve Final Regulation 16-43.

1. The Committee noted that pursuant to Act 170 of 2006 (P.L. 1534, No. 170), the Final Rulemaking was due on or before July 28, 2008.

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• The Board responded by acknowledging that the date was not met. In addition, the Board noted that, under section 5 of Act 25of 2010 (P.L. 192, No.25), licensees must begin to comply with the continuing education requirements for the 2009-2011 biennial renewal cycle. The Board concluded that because the Act 25 amendment did not become effective until July 11, 2010, licensees should be given additional time to complete the requirements for the 2009-2011 cycle. Licensees who have not completed the continuing education requirement by the end of the renewal period will be allowed to renew, but must pay a civil penalty based upon the amount of deficiency. The deficiency must be corrected within 6 months; however, for the first mandatory continuing education cycle, licensees who make up the deficiency in full within the first 6 months will not be subject to a civil penalty.

Sincerely,

Michael P. McGeehan

Chairman, House Professional Licensure Committee