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INDEPENDENT REGULATORY REVIEW COMMISSION

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November 4, 2010

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

Re: Regulation #7-437 (IRRC #2790)
Environmental Quality Board
Lead and Copper Rule Short Term Revisions

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: Senator Mary Jo White, Majority Chairman, Senate Environmental Resources and Energy Committee

Senator Raphael J. Musto, Minority Chairman, Senate Environmental Resources and Energy Committee

Representative Scott E. Hutchinson, Minority Chairman, House Environmental Resources and Energy Committee

Representative Camille George, Majority Chairman, House Environmental Resources and Energy Committee

**INDEPENDENT REGULATORY REVIEW COMMISSION
APPROVAL ORDER**

Commissioners Voting:

Public Meeting Held November 4, 2010

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Regulation No. 7-437 (#2790)
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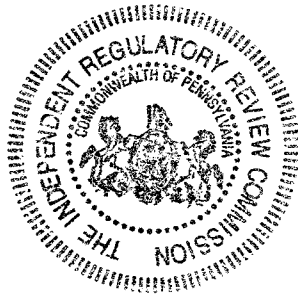
On September 9, 2009, the Independent Regulatory Review Commission (Commission) received this proposed regulation from the Environmental Quality Board (Board). This rulemaking amends 25 Pa. Code Chapter 109. The proposed regulation was published in the September 26, 2009 *Pennsylvania Bulletin* with a 30-day public comment period. The final-form regulation was submitted to the Commission on October 1, 2010.

This final-form rulemaking amends the lead and copper rules of the Department of Environmental Protection's Safe Drinking Water regulations to incorporate federal requirements needed to maintain primary enforcement authority.

We have determined this regulation is consistent with the statutory authority of the Board (35 P.S. § 721.4(a)) 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