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INDEPENDENT REGULATORY REVIEW COMMISSION 333 MARKET STREET, 14TH FLOOR, HARRISBURG, PA 17101

December 16, 2010

Honorable Robert Pratter, Acting Commissioner Insurance Department 1326 Strawberry Square Harrisburg, PA 17120

Re: Regulation #11-240 (IRRC #2812)

Insurance Department

Education and Training for Applicants and Insurance Producers

Dear Acting Commissioner Pratter:

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,

Silvan B. Lutkewitte, III

Chairman

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Enclosure

INDEPENDENT REGULATORY REVIEW COMMISSION APPROVAL ORDER

Commissioners Voting:

Public Meeting Held December 16, 2010

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

Regulation No. 11-240 (#2812)
Insurance Department
Education and Training for Applicants and
Insurance Producers

On December 14, 2009, the Independent Regulatory Review Commission (Commission) received this proposed regulation from the Insurance Department (Department). This rulemaking deletes 31 Pa. Code Chapter 39 and replaces it with Chapter 39a. The proposed regulation was published in the December 26, 2009 *Pennsylvania Bulletin* with a 30-day public comment period. The final-form regulation was submitted to the Commission on November 9, 2010.

This rulemaking establishes new training requirements for insurance producers and insurers writing long term care insurance and insurance producers selling flood insurance. It also clarifies existing training and education requirements for insurance producers.

We have determined this regulation is consistent with the statutory authority of the Department (71 P.S § 186 and 40 P.S. §§ 310.4, 310.8 and 310.98) 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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Silvan B. Lutkewitte, III, Chairman