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Director Joseph Schmider Pennsylvania Department of Health Bureau of EMS Room 606 Health and Welfare Building 625 Forster Street Harrisburg PA 17120-0701

Director Schmider,

The Board of Directors of the Eastern PA EMS Council is pleased to report that we collectively support and endorse the implementation of the Emergency Medical Services Systems Act (Act 37) as published October 29, 2011 in the Pennsylvania Bulletin.

Throughout that process, the Department engaged both private and government stakeholders and hosted town meetings across this Commonwealth to discuss the draft legislation at various stages of its development. During development of the legislation, the Department posted versions of the draft legislation throughout a variety of outlets and methods seeking the input of the stakeholders as the bureau continually enhanced what would, without question, a comprehensive document which defines the future of EMS in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

The Eastern PA EMS Council remains committed to supporting the Bureau of EMS as the legislative process continues and looks forward to embracing the proposed Rules and Regulations into our mission of 'A System designed to Save Lives"

Again I wish to thank you for your leadership and wish you and your staff the best in the future. Should you have any questions or concerns specific to this matter please do not hesitate to contact me at 610-820-9212.

Respectfully,

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