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August 21, 2013

TO: Pennsylvania Independent Regulatory Review Commission

FROM: Ms. Michele Bolles, Senior Vice President, Health Strategies Great Rivers Affiliate, American Heart Association/American Stroke Association

SUBJECT: Regulation #10 – 190: Emergency Medical Services System (IRRC Number 2917)

On behalf of the American Heart Association, the American Stroke Association (AHA/ASA), and the thousands of volunteers that contribute their time and talent to our organization in Pennsylvania, I would like to submit this letter in support of the Department's final version of the Emergency Medical Services (EMS) regulations, as required through Act 37 of 2009.

Cardiovascular diseases are the leading cause of death of Pennsylvanians. Emergency medical services professionals are critical in the timely diagnosis, treatment and transportation of acute medical emergencies, including heart attacks, stroke and cardiac arrest. The final regulations will go far to advance the AHA/ASA's mission to build lives free of cardiovascular disease and stroke. Additionally, the regulations provide the necessary coordination and oversight of prehospital care across the Commonwealth that effectively integrates a broad spectrum of general and specialty services.

We look forward to continuing our strong partnership with the Department of Health, Bureau of Emergency Medical Services to advance the work of pre-hospital care to further reduce death and disability from cardiovascular diseases and stroke.

Thank you for your careful review of the final regulations.

Sincerely,

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