

**INDEPENDENT REGULATORY REVIEW COMMISSION  
APPROVAL ORDER**

Commissioners Voting:

Public Meeting Held November 12, 2015

John F. Mizner, Esq., Chairman  
George D. Bedwick, Vice Chairman  
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Regulation No. 7-488 (#3067)  
Board of Coal Mine Safety  
Standards for Surface Facilities

On July 17, 2014, the Independent Regulatory Review Commission (Commission) received this proposed regulation from the Board of Coal Mine Safety (Board). This rulemaking amends 25 Pa. Code Chapter 208. The proposed regulation was published in the August 2, 2014 *Pennsylvania Bulletin* with a 31-day public comment period. The final-form regulation was submitted to the Commission on September 9, 2015.

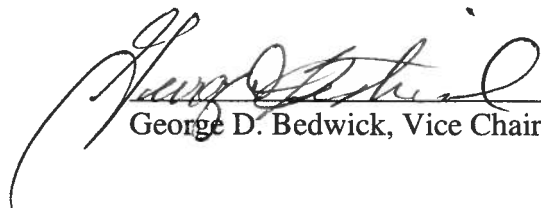
This final-form regulation incorporates by reference existing Federal regulations that broadly relate to the surface work areas of underground coal mines, thereby making them independently enforceable by the Commonwealth.

We have determined this regulation is consistent with the statutory authority of the Board (52 P.S. § 690-106.1) 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.



  
George D. Bedwick, Vice Chairman