INDEPENDENT REGULATORY REVIEW COMMISSION APPROVAL ORDER

Commissioners Voting:

Public Meeting Held March 10, 2016

John F. Mizner, Esq., Chairman George D. Bedwick, Vice Chairman W. Russell Faber Murray Ufberg, Esq. Dennis A. Watson, Esq.

Regulation No. 57-308 (#3087) Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission Paper Billing Fees

On February 27, 2015, the Independent Regulatory Review Commission (Commission) received this proposed regulation from the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission (PUC). This rulemaking adds § 53.85 to 52 Pa. Code. The proposed regulation was published in the March 14, 2015 *Pennsylvania Bulletin* with a 30-day public comment period. The final-form regulation was submitted to the Commission on January 27, 2016.

This proposed rulemaking adds a new section that would prohibit a public utility from imposing a supplemental fee, charge or other rate for providing a paper bill for services provided by the public utility.

We have determined this regulation is consistent with the statutory authority of the PUC (66 Pa. C.S. § § 501, 1301, 1501 and 1509) 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