

**INDEPENDENT REGULATORY REVIEW COMMISSION
APPROVAL ORDER**

Commissioners Voting:

Public Meeting Held June 15, 2017

George D. Bedwick, Chairman
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Regulation No. 7-495 (#3157)
Environmental Quality Board
Environmental Laboratory Accreditation

On July 29, 2016, the Independent Regulatory Review Commission (Commission) received this proposed regulation from the Environmental Quality Board (EQB). This rulemaking amends 25 Pa. Code Chapter 252. The proposed regulation was published in the August 20, 2016 *Pennsylvania Bulletin* with a public comment period ending September 19, 2016. The final-form regulation was submitted to the Commission on May 11, 2017.

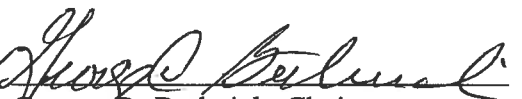
This final-form regulation amends EQB's laboratory accreditation fee schedule, adds standards for accreditation, clarifies existing requirements, and removes unnecessary or cost prohibitive requirements.

We have determined this regulation is consistent with the statutory authority of the EQB (27 Pa.C.S. §§ 4103(a), 4104(1), and 4105(a)) 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, Chairman