## INDEPENDENT REGULATORY REVIEW COMMISSION APPROVAL ORDER

Commissioners Voting:

Public Meeting Held November 17, 2022

George D. Bedwick, Chairman John F. Mizner, Esq., Vice Chairman John J. Soroko, Esq. Murray Ufberg, Esq. Dennis A. Watson, Esq.

Regulation No. 7-569 (#3334) Environmental Quality Board Safe Drinking Water PFAS MCL Rule

On February 15, 2022, the Independent Regulatory Review Commission (Commission) received this proposed regulation from the Environmental Quality Board (Board). This rulemaking amends 25 Pa. Code, Chapter 109. The proposed regulation was published in the February 26, 2022 *Pennsylvania Bulletin* with a public comment period ending on April 27, 2022. The final-form regulation was submitted to the Commission on October 13, 2022.

This regulation amends Chapter 109 (relating to safe drinking water) to set maximum contaminant level goals and maximum contaminant levels in drinking water for two chemicals – perfluorooctanoic acid (PFOA) and perfluorooctanesulfonic acid (PFOS) – which are part of a larger group of perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances, known as PFAS. The proposed regulation also includes monitoring requirements for public water systems to demonstrate compliance with the PFOA and PFOS standards.

We have determined this regulation is consistent with the statutory authority of the Board (35 P.S. § 721.4 and 71 P.S. § 510-20) 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.



D. Bedwick, Chairman