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## INDEPENDENT REGULATORY REVIEW COMMISSION 333 MARKET STREET, 14TH FLOOR, HARRISBURG, PA 17101

February 17, 2000

Honorable James M. Seif, Chairman Environmental Quality Board Rachel Carson State Office Building 400 Market Street, 16th Floor Harrisburg, PA 17105

> Re: IRRC Regulation #7-343 (#2008) Environmental Quality Board Nitrogen Oxides Allowance

Dear Chairman Seif:

The Independent Regulatory Review Commission approved the subject regulation at its February 17, 2000 public meeting. Our Order is enclosed and is available on our website at http://www.irrc.state.pa.us.

We appreciate the joint effort that went into producing a regulation that met the criteria and intent of the Regulatory Review Act.

Sincerely,

Alvin C. Bush Vice Chairman

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cc: Sharon Freeman Barbara Sexton

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Environmental Quality Board Nitrogen Oxides Allowance Regulation No. 7-343

## BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

On February 17, 1999, the Independent Regulatory Review Commission (Commission) received this proposed regulation from the Environmental Quality Board. This rulemaking amends 25 Pa. Code Chapters 121 and 123. The authority for this regulation is Section 5 of the Air Pollution Control Act (35 P.S. § 4005). The proposed regulation was published in the March 6, 1999 *Pennsylvania Bulletin* with a 65-day public comment period. The final-form regulation was submitted to the Commission on January 19, 2000.

The amendments consist of technical corrections to the Nitrogen Oxides Allowance Program implemented on November 1, 1997. The adjustments and corrections to the allowance allocations implement the program in the manner originally intended.

This regulation meets the criteria of the Regulatory Review Act.

## THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED THAT:

- 1. Regulation No. 7-343 from the Environmental Quality Board, as submitted to the Commission on January 19, 2000, is approved; and
- 2. The Commission will transmit a copy of this Order to the Legislative Reference Bureau.

Alvin C. Bush, Vice Chairman

