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

June 7, 2001

Honorable David E. Hess, Chairman  
Environmental Quality Board  
Rachel Carson State Office Building  
400 Market Street, 16th Floor  
Harrisburg, PA 17101

Re: Regulation #7-359 (IRRC #2140)  
Environmental Quality Board  
Disinfectants and Disinfection Byproducts

Dear Chairman Hess:

The Independent Regulatory Review Commission approved your regulation on June 7, 2001.  
Our Order is enclosed and is available on our website at [www.irrc.state.pa.us](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,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Robert E. Nyce".

Robert E. Nyce  
Executive Director

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Enclosure

cc: Honorable Arthur D. Hershey, Majority Chairman  
House Environmental Resources and Energy Committee  
Honorable Camille George, Democratic Chairman  
House Environmental Resources and Energy Committee  
Honorable Mary Jo White, Chairman, Senate Environmental Resources and Energy Committee  
Honorable Raphael J. Musto, Minority Chairman  
Senate Environmental Resources and Energy Committee

**INDEPENDENT REGULATORY REVIEW COMMISSION  
APPROVAL ORDER**

Commissioners Voting:

Public Meeting Held June 7, 2001

John R. McGinley, Jr, Chairman, by Proxy  
Alvin C. Bush, Vice Chairman, by Phone  
Arthur Coccodrilli  
Robert J. Harbison, III, Acting Chairman  
John F. Mizner

Regulation No.7-359  
Environmental Quality Board  
Disinfectants and Disinfection Byproducts

On August 8, 2000, 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 September 2, 2000, *Pennsylvania Bulletin* with a 30-day public comment period. The final-form regulation was submitted to the Commission on May 8, 2001.


This rulemaking regulates disinfection practices at public water systems to eliminate or minimize disinfection byproducts that cause harmful health effects. Pennsylvania water systems will be required to comply with up to three new disinfectant residual standards.

We have determined this regulation is consistent with the statutory authority of the Board (35 P.S. § 721.4(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.



  
Robert J. Harbison, III, Acting Chairman