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

July 15, 2004

Richard G. Stauffer, L.A., Chairman State Board of Landscape Architects 2601 North 3rd Street Harrisburg, PA 17110

Re: Regulation #16A-617 (IRRC #2368)
State Board of Landscape Architects
Deletion of Examination Fees

Dear Chairman Stauffer:

The Independent Regulatory Review Commission approved the subject regulation today. Our Order is enclosed and will be available on our website at www.irrc.state.pa.us.

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

Sincerely,

Alvin C. Bush Vice Chairman

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Enclosure

cc: Honorable Robert M. Tomlinson, Chairman, Senate Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure Committee

Honorable Lisa M. Boscola, Minority Chairman, Senate Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure Committee

Honorable Thomas P. Gannon, Majority Chairman, House Professional Licensure Committee Honorable William W. Rieger, Democratic Chairman, House Professional Licensure Committee Honorable Pedro A. Cortes, Secretary, Department of State

INDEPENDENT REGULATORY REVIEW COMMISSION APPROVAL ORDER

Commissioners Voting:

Public Meeting Held July 15, 2004

John R. McGinley, Jr., Esq., Chairman, by Phone Alvin C. Bush, Vice Chairman Daniel F. Clark, Esq. Arthur Coccodrilli Murray Ufberg, Esq.

Regulation No. 16A-617
State Board of Landscape Architects
Deletion of Examination Fees

On November 12, 2003, the Independent Regulatory Review Commission (Commission) received this proposed regulation from the State Board of Landscape Architects (Board). This rulemaking amends 49 Pa. Code Chapter 15. The proposed regulation was published in the November 22, 2003 *Pennsylvania Bulletin* with a 30-day public comment period. The final-form regulation was submitted to the Commission on May 26, 2004.

This regulation deletes references to the licensing examination fees and specifies that the fees are set by the professional testing organization. The regulation also clarifies that applicants for examination should apply directly to the professional testing organization and not to the Board.

We have determined this regulation is consistent with the statutory authority of the Board (63 P.S. § 904(9)) 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.

Alvin C. Bush, Vice Chairman