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March 25, 1999

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

Re: IRRC Regulation #7-328 (#1905)
Environmental Quality Board
Hazardous Waste Management

Dear Chairman Seif:

The Independent Regulatory Review Commission approved the subject regulation at its March 25, 1999 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,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "John R. McGinley, Jr.", is written over a printed name and title.

John R. McGinley, Jr.
Chairman

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Enclosure
cc: Sharon Freeman
Barbara Sexton

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Commissioners Present:

Public Meeting Held March 25, 1999

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Environmental Quality Board
Hazardous Waste Management

Regulation No. 7-328

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

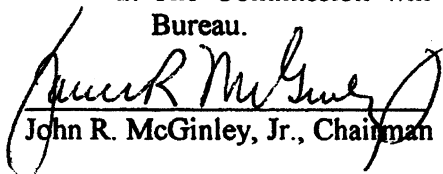
On November 19, 1999, the Independent Regulatory Review Commission (Commission) received this proposed regulation from the Environmental Quality Board (EQB). This rulemaking deletes 25 Pa. Code Chapters 260 - 267 and 269 - 270, and replaces them with 25 Pa. Code Chapters 260a - 266a, 266b, and 268a - 270a. The authority for this regulation is the Solid Waste Management Act (35 P.S. §§ 6018.105, 6018.401 - 6018.403, and 6018.505). The proposed regulation was published in the December 6, 1997 *Pennsylvania Bulletin* with a 60-day public comment period. The final-form regulation was submitted to the Commission on February 23, 1999.

This regulation is a comprehensive revision of Pennsylvania's hazardous waste regulations. The format of the new chapters incorporates the corresponding federal regulation by reference and then provides any specific Pennsylvania requirements that differ from the federal requirements.

We have reviewed this regulation and find it to be in the public interest. The amendments will substantially reduce the adverse effects on the regulated community who have had to comply with differing state and federal regulations.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED THAT:

1. Regulation No. 7-328 from the Environmental Quality Board, as submitted to the Commission on February 23, 1999, is approved; and
2. The Commission will transmit a copy of this Order to the Legislative Reference Bureau.


John R. McGinley, Jr., Chairman

