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Chairman George D. Bedwick
 Pennsylvania Independent Regulatory Review Commission
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Re: Environmental Quality Board Regulation #7-535 (IRRC #3150)
Stream Redesignation-Swiftwater Creek

Dear Chairman Bedwick:

M & E Builders, Inc. /a Liberty Homes Custom Builders provides this letter in support of the comment submitted by Pocono Manor Investors, LP ("Pocono Manor") on the Environmental Quality Board's ("EQB") Regulation #7-535 (IRRC #3150), which would reclassify the Designated Use of Swiftwater Creek to Exceptional Value ("EV"). Liberty Homes agrees, for the reasons raised by Pocono Manor, that the finding in PADEP's February 2016 Stream Redesignation Evaluation Report (the "Report"), which provides the technical basis for Regulation #7-535, are not supported by sound science or consistent with PADEP's regulations and guidance.

Additionally, Liberty is concerned that Pocono Manor was not provided actual notice since it is the entity most greatly impacted by this proposed reclassification, even after Pocono Manor had made PADEP aware that it was adamantly opposed to the reclassification of Swiftwater Creek to EV. Liberty Homes joins Pocono Manor in requesting that the Independent Regulatory Review Commission ("IRRC") defer action on Regulation #7-535 to allow time for Pocono Manor to thoroughly review PADEP's underlying data and develop additional factual information regarding the proper classification of Swiftwater Creek to present to PADEP, the EQB, and IRRC, as appropriate.

Respectfully submitted,


 John J. Holahan, President

cc: Patrick McDonnell, PADEP Secretary