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Abigail Hammond Industrial Commission 4336 Mail Service Center Raleigh, NC 27699-4336

Anca Grozav Office of State Budget and Management 20320 Mail Service Center Raleigh, NC 27699-0320

Re: 04 NCAC 10A .0301

Dear Ms. Hammond and Ms. Grozav:

At its October 18, 2012 meeting the Rules Review Commission extended the period of review on the above-captioned rule in accordance with G.S. 150B-21.13.

The Commission extended the period of review so that it could request information from the Office of State Budget and Management about how it determined that there was no substantial economic impact as defined in G.S. 150B-21.4(b1) resulting from the change in Paragraph (a) of the Rule such that the Industrial Commission will no longer accept a notice from the North Carolina Rate Bureau as proof that an employer has obtained workers' compensation insurance. The Commission would like this information to help it determine whether the agency adopted the rule in accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act.

As you can note, the Commission need not take formal action with regards to this rule for up to 70 days; however, the Commission can continue its discussion on the rule at its next meeting which is scheduled for November 15, 2012.

If you have any questions regarding the Commission's action, please let me know. Thank you for your help in this matter.

Sincerely,

Robert A. Bryan, Jr. Commission Counsel

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