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Dear Ms. McNutt:

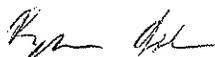
Pursuant to IC 4-22-2-28, The Indiana Economic Development Corporation ("IEDC") has reviewed the economic impact analysis for small businesses associated with rule changes proposed by the Indiana Professional Licensing Agency ("IPLA") on behalf of the Indiana Auctioneer Commission ("Commission") and contained in LSA Document 08-758. The proposed rule amends 812 IAC 1-1-35 to establish fees charged by the Commission, including fees for application, issuance, and renewal of auctioneer licenses, auction house licenses, and auctioneer company licenses, examination for licensure to practice as an auctioneer, reciprocal applicants, duplicate licenses and pocket cards, certification of licensure, and licensure reinstatement. The Commission estimates that there are 2,797 independent auctioneers, 192 auction houses, and 246 auction companies that are small businesses and will be impacted by this rule. The Commission has determined that the proposed rule will not increase or decrease the number of small businesses already affected by current regulations.

The impact statement provided by the IPLA indicates that the proposed rule does not impose any new reporting, record keeping, or other administrative costs on small businesses. Fees for auctioneers, auction houses and auction company's licenses have, up until July 1, 2005, been set by statute. The change allows the Commission to set their licensing fees in their rules. The Commission is keeping its licensing and examination fees the same. Therefore the proposed rules do not impose any net new cost on small businesses.

The IEDC does not object to the economic impact to small businesses associated with the proposed rule. The proposed rules do not impose any net new cost to small businesses. Additionally, the IPLA is required to set fees at a level necessary to cover the costs of its boards and commissions. The proposed rule was determined to be the fairest and most cost effective means of carrying out the IPLA's duties.

If you have any questions about the comments contained herein please contact me at 233-8962 or rasberry@iedc.in.gov.

Regards,



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