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**CITY MANAGERS OFFICE
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DATE: November 26, 2007

TO: Dave Corliss
City Manager

FROM: Dan Partridge, RS, MPH *D.P.*
Director

RE: Request for approval of new Board of Health regulations for Swimming
Pools and Spas

The Lawrence-Douglas County Board of Health, at their November 19, 2007 Board meeting, adopted new regulations as provided for in Chapter 5-802 of the City Code for the City of Lawrence. I am forwarding these swimming pool and spa regulations to the City Commission for their approval. Also enclosed you will find an executive summary that outlines the major areas of change in the regulations.

Your Health Department staff worked closely with the Kansas Department of Health and Environment in 2007 to assist them as they developed pool regulations for their Lodging Safety & Sanitation Program. Revisions to our pool regulations were made in an effort to be consistent with State regulations. Additions to our pool regulations were made in order to clarify the purpose of our regulations and to establish a system of licensure for public pools and spas. The Board of Health has approved an annual license fee of \$120 plus \$60 for each additional pool or spa.

A decision by the City Commission before the end of this year will aid us in our efforts to license public pools and spas for 2008. It is our intent, contingent upon City Commission approval, to convene a meeting of affected pool operators in order to explain these new regulations. Licensing and enforcement would not begin until after this meeting. The impact of these regulations will be ameliorated as most pools are open on a seasonal basis.

Please let me know if there is additional information we can provide on this issue. Also, please advise me of the date when the City Commission will be considering these new regulations. Thank you for your assistance.

Encl: Executive Summary
Lawrence-Douglas County Health Department Regulations for Swimming Pools and Spas

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