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MEMORANDUM

To: Eric Olson

Executive Director

Virginia Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation – Board for Contractors

From: Joshua E. Laws

Assistant Attorney General

Date: May 4, 2015

Subject: Letter of Assurance for Proposed Regulations – Final Rule for Regulations Governing

Temporary Reduction of Renewal and Reinstatement Fees found at 18 VAC 50-22-140 and 170

I have reviewed the Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation's ("the Department") proposed Final Rule for Regulations Governing Temporary Reduction of Renewal and Reinstatement Fees found at 18 VAC 50-22-140 and 170 that was posted on the Virginia Regulatory Town Hall on April 27, 2015. In my view, as counsel to the Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation, these regulations may be promulgated pursuant to Title 54.1 of the Code of Virginia. Further, I certify that all of the proposed changes are exempt from the Administrative Process Act under Code of Virginia § 2.2-4006(A)(6) as the changes are made by the Department pursuant to Title 54.1 and are limited to reducing fees charged to regulants and applicants.

This memorandum addresses legal matters only and is not intended to serve, nor should it be construed, as a comment for or against the merits of the proposed regulations.