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Hon. David K. Paylor, Director Department of Environmental Quality 629 East Main Street Richmond, Virginia 23219

RE: Amendments to the Water Quality Standards Regulation (9VAC25-260-185) to Include the October 2007, September 2008 and May 2010 Chesapeake Bay Criteria Assessment Protocols Addenda

Dear Dave:

I have reviewed the proposed amendments to this regulation as posted to the Regulatory Town Hall. The State Water Control Board has the authority to adopt these amendments.

With kindest regards, I am

Sincerely,

John R. Butcher

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