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MEMORANDUM

To: Pia Trigiani, Chair

Common Interest Community Board

Trisha Henshaw, Executive Director Common Interest Community Board

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Virginia Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation

From: Steven P. Jack

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Date: September 17, 2008

Subject: Memorandum of Authority for Proposed Adoption of Public Participation Guidelines, 18 VAC

48-10 et seq.

I reviewed the proposed Public Participation Guidelines, 18 VAC 48-10-10 *et seq.*, by the Common Interest Community Board (hereinafter "Board"). In my view, as counsel to the Virginia Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation, the Board may promulgate these regulations, pursuant to §§ 2.2-4007.02 and 54.1-201, and 54.1-2349 of the *Code of Virginia*. The proposed regulations do not appear to conflict with the Constitution of the United States or the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Virginia, nor do they appear to conflict with any federal or state law.

Adoption of the above Regulations is exempt from the provisions of the Virginia Administrative Process Act, §§ 2.2-4000, *et seq.* of the Code of Virginia, pursuant to Chapter 321 of the 2008 Virginia Acts of Assembly [HB 1167].

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.