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MEMORANDUM

To: Eric Olson

Executive Director

Virginia Department Professional and Occupational Regulation – Board for Contractors

From: Joshua E. Laws

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Date: April 19, 2017

Subject: Letter of Assurance for Proposed Regulations – Amendments to Board for Contractors

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

I have reviewed the Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation's ("the Department") proposed Amendments to Board for Contractors Regulations - Temporary Reduction of Renewal and Reinstatement Fees found at 18 VAC 50-22 that was posted on the Virginia Regulatory Town Hall on April 11, 2017. In my view, as counsel to the Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation and the Board for Contractors, these regulations may be promulgated pursuant to Title 54.1 of the Code of Virginia. The 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 currently in effect. Further, I certify that the proposed changes are exempt from the Administrative Process Act under Code of Virginia § 2.2-4006(A)(6) because these are regulations of the regulatory boards served by the Department of

Professional and Occupational Regulation 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.