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The Honorable David K. Paylor, Director Virginia Department of Environmental Quality 1111 East Main Street Richmond, Virginia 23219

Re:

Authority to Promulgate Amendments to the Virginia Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (VPDES) General Permit for Domestic Sewage Discharges of Less Than or Equal to 1,000 Gallons Per Day (9 VAC 25-110 et seq.)

Dear Director Paylor:

I have reviewed the amendments to the above-referenced regulation. It is my opinion that the State Water Control Board has authority to promulgate the amendments to the regulation under applicable law including Chapter 3.1 of Title 62.1 of the Code of Virginia. It is also my view that these amendments are exempt from the requirements of Article 2 of the Administrative Process Act pursuant to Va. Code § 2.2-4006(A)(8).

If I may be of any further assistance to you relating to this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

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Senior Assistant Attorney General