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MEMORANDUM

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Commissioner

Virginia Department of Labor and Industry

From: Joshua E. Laws

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Date: October 11, 2023

Subject: Letter of Assurance for Amended Regulations for Federal Identical Recording and Reporting

Occupational Injuries and Illnesses found at 16 VAC 25-85-1904.

I have reviewed the Department of Labor and Industry's proposed Amended Regulations for Federal Identical Recording and Reporting Occupational Injuries and Illnesses found at 16 VAC 25-85-1904. that were posted on the Virginia Regulatory Town Hall on October 3, 2023. In my view, as counsel to the Department of Labor and Industry, these regulations may be promulgated pursuant to Title 40.1 of the Code of Virginia. Further, I certify that the proposed changes are exempt from the Administrative Process Act under Code of Virginia § 2.2-4006(A)(4)(c) as they are necessary to meet the requirements of federal law or regulations and they do not materially differ from those required by federal law or regulation.

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.