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## Exempt Action Final Regulation Agency Background Document

Approving authority name	State Water Control Board
Virginia Administrative Code (VAC) citation	9 VAC 25- 31
Regulation title	Virginia Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (VPDES) Permit Regulation
Action title	Amend the regulation to comport to federal requirements
Final agency action date	June 1, 2006
Document preparation date	May 1, 2006

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## Summary

Please provide a brief summary of all regulatory changes, including the rationale behind such changes. Alert the reader to all substantive matters or changes. If applicable, generally describe the existing regulation.

The VPDES Permit Regulation is being updated in order to bring it into conformance with changes in federal regulations as required by the Clean Water Act, federal regulations delegating NPDES authority, and the NPDES Memorandum of Agreement between the Commonwealth of Virginia and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. Most of the changes to the regulation pertain to new federal rules for cooling water intake structures, and to new federal rules to streamline pretreatment requirements.

## Statement of final agency action

Please provide a statement of the final action taken by the agency including (1) the date the action was taken, (2) the name of the agency taking the action, and (3) the title of the regulation.

The State Water Control Board adopted the amendments at its meeting on June 1, 2006.

## Family impact

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Assess the impact of this regulatory action on the institution of the family and family stability, including to what extent the regulatory action will: 1) strengthen or erode the authority and rights of parents in the education, nurturing, and supervision of their children; 2) encourage or discourage economic self-sufficiency, self-pride, and the assumption of responsibility for oneself, one's spouse, and one's children and/or elderly parents; 3) strengthen or erode the marital commitment; and 4) increase or decrease disposable family income.

This regulatory action should have no impact on family stability.