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Mr. Michael D. Berg, Manager
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Office of Emergency Medical Services
Virginia Department of Health
109 Governor Street
Richmond, Virginia 23219

**Re: Regulations for the Designated Regional EMS Councils and Rescue Squad Assistance Fund;
12 VAC 5-31-2300, *et seq.***

Dear Mr. Berg:

I have reviewed the proposed Regulations for the Designated Regional EMS Councils and Rescue Squad Assistance Fund, 12 VAC 5-31-2300, *et seq.* The proposed regulations are constitutional and in conformity with the existing statutory provisions of the Code of Virginia.

The Board of Health has the authority to promulgate this regulation under Va. Code §§ 32.1-12, 32.1-111.11, and 32.1-111.4. The regulations are consistent with the Board's mandate as set forth in these sections. The Board of Health will not exceed its statutory authority in promulgating this regulatory amendment. Having satisfied all legal requirements, you may proceed to take the necessary steps to promulgate these regulations in accordance with the requirements of the Administrative Process Act.

If I may be of further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

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cc: Douglas R. Harris

Adjudication Officer and
Administrative Coordinator