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MEMORANDUM

TO: Dr. Thomas L. York, Ph.D., HCLD
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FROM: Karri B. Atwood
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DATE: August 23, 2012

RE: Proposed Amendments to the Accreditation for Commercial Environmental Laboratories Regulations

I have reviewed the proposed amendments to the regulations for *Accreditation for Commercial Environmental Laboratories*, 1 VAC 30-46 *et seq.* The amendments are proposed to replace the 2003 NELAC Standards with the 2009 TNI Standards, and to revise the process used to accredit laboratories. The proposed amendments also restructure the fee provisions in 1VAC30-46-150 to support the program.

It is my view that the Division of Consolidated Laboratory Services, contingent on approval by the Governor, has legal authority to promulgate the subject regulations pursuant to *Code of Virginia* § 2.2-1102 (A) and § 2.2-1105 (A). If I may be of any further assistance to you relating to this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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