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The Honorable David K. Paylor, Director Virginia Department of Environmental Quality 629 East Main Street Richmond, Virginia 23219

Re: Authority to Promulgate Amendments to the Hazardous Waste Facility Siting Criteria Regulations (9 VAC 20-50)

Dear Director Paylor,

I have reviewed the above-referenced regulations. It is my opinion that the Waste Management Board has the authority to promulgate amendments to the regulations under applicable law including Chapter 14 of Title 10.1. 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)(3).

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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Sincerely,

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