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The Honorable David K. Paylor, Director
Virginia Department of Environmental Quality
1111 East Main Street
Richmond, Virginia 23219

Re: Authority to Promulgate Amendments to the Groundwater Withdrawal Regulations (9 VAC 25-610 *et seq.*) and the General Permit for Use of Surficial Aquifer on the Eastern Shore (9 VAC 25-910 *et seq.*)

Dear Director Paylor:

I have reviewed the amendments to the above-referenced regulations. It is my opinion that the State Water Control Board has authority to promulgate the amendments to the regulations under applicable law including Chapter 3.1 and Chapter 25 of Title 62.1 of the Code of Virginia.

If I may be of any further assistance to you relating to this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "David C. Grandis".

David C. Grandis
Senior Assistant Attorney General