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Daniel J. LaVista, Ph.D., Executive Director State Council of Higher Education for Virginia Monroe Building Richmond, Virginia, 23219

Re: Regulations Governing the Certification of Certain Institutions to Confer Degrees and Certificates 8 VAC 40-31 *et seq*.

Dear Dan:

I have reviewed the above-referenced regulations. In my view, the Council has the authority to promulgate these regulations, pursuant to Title 23 of the Code of Virginia.

Please contact me at (804) 786-7363 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Anthony P. Meredith Assistant Attorney General