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MEMORANDUM

FROM: Jackson Brown
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TO: Mike Rolband, Director
Department of Environmental Quality

DATE: December 17, 2024

RE: Review of Proposed Regulation — 9 VAC 25-115 (“Virginia Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (VPDES) General Permit Regulation for Seafood Processing Facilities”) (the “Regulation”)

Please note that this memorandum does not constitute an opinion, formal or informal, of the Attorney General. Rather, this memorandum contains the legal analysis of the individual staff member providing it.

In response to a request from the Department of Environmental Quality, I reviewed the above-referenced regulation of the State Water Control Board.

The State Water Control Board has the authority to amend and reissue the Regulation pursuant to §§ 62.1-44.15(5), 62.1-44.15(5a), 62.1-44.15(7), 62.1-44.15(10), 62.1-44.15(14), 62.1-44.16, 62.1-44.20, 62.1-44.21 of the Code of Virginia, Section 402 of the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. § 1342), and 40 CFR Parts 122, 123, and 124. After reviewing the proposed Regulation, it is my opinion that the State Water Control Board has the authority to amend and reissue the Regulation as proposed. It is also my opinion that the proposed Regulation is exempt from Article 2 of the Administrative Process Act pursuant to Va. Code § 2.2-4006(A)(8).