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The Honorable Robert G. Burnley, Director Department of Environmental Quality Commonwealth of Virginia 629 East Main Street Richmond, Virginia 23219

Re: Emergency Regulation Amendments Concerning Remote Sensing (9 VAC 5 Chapter 91, Revision MK)

I have reviewed the above-referenced emergency regulation amendments. I have also reviewed Section F.1 of Item 383 of Chapter 1042, 2003 Acts of Assembly. It is my view that the State Air Pollution Control Board has legal authority to promulgate subject emergency regulation amendments.

The purpose of this communication is to provide legal advice. To the extent that this communication may advise you that certain action is lawful, the decision whether to take such action remains a policy decision within the discretion of your agency or board and this communication should not be construed as a comment for or against the merits of such action.

Sincerely,

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