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William L. Harp, M.D. Executive Director Virginia Board of Medicine 6603 West Broad Street Richmond, VA 23230-1712

RE: 18 V AC 85-110-10 et seq. Regulations Governing the Practice of Licensed Acupuncturists

Dear Dr. Harp:

I have reviewed the proposed amended regulations, as adopted by the Board of Medicine at its meeting on October 9, 2003. The regulations, adopted under the fast-track provisions of the Administrative Process Act, provide for acceptance of licensure application; persons who graduated from an acupuncture program while it held candidacy status but was subsequently accredited. I find that the proposed amended regulations are consistent with statutory authority and do not conflict with existing law.

Sincerely,

Roscoe C. Roberts

Assistant Attorney General

C: Elaine J. Yeatts, Agency Regulatory Coordinator Department of Health Professions