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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 VAC 85-20-10 et seq. Regulations Governing the Practice of Medicine, Osteopathic Medicine, Podiatry and Chiropractic

Dear Dr. Harp:

I have reviewed the proposed regulation, 18 VAC 85-20-10 et seq., in accordance with the Administrative Process Act, as adopted by the Board of Medicine at its meeting on November 19, 2004. The amended regulations, relating to administration of a major conductive block in office-based anesthesia, are constitutional and in conformity with statutory provisions.

Sincerely,

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