October 27, 2004

William C. Shelton, Executive Director Commission on Local Government 501 North 2nd Street Richmond, Virginia 23219

Re: Authority to Promulgate Proposed Amendment to the Commission on Local Government Regulations 1 VAC 50-10

Dear Mr. Shelton:

This will confirm that I have reviewed the proposed amendment to the Public Participation Guidelines referenced above. It is my view that the Commission on Local Government has legal authority to promulgate the amendment being proposed, and that the proposed amendment appears to comport with the applicable law.

With my regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

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