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Re: Certification of Final Waterworks Regulations - Amend the Waterworks Regulations to Incorporate the Federal Consumer Confidence Report Rule Revisions, 12VAC5-590

I hereby certify, pursuant to my authority as an Assistant Attorney General and in accordance with the Safe Drinking Water Act as amended, and 40 CFR 142.12(c)(1)(iii), that in my opinion the laws of the Commonwealth of Virginia to carry out the program set forth in the amendments submitted by the Virginia Department of Health have been duly adopted and are enforceable. The specific authorities provided are contained in statutes or regulations that are lawfully adopted at the time this Statement is approved and signed and will be fully effective by the time the program is approved.

Furthermore, I certify that the environmental audit privilege and immunity laws of the Commonwealth of Virginia, Va. Code §§ 10.1-1198 and 10.1-1199, do not affect the ability of Commonwealth of Virginia to meet enforcement and information gathering requirements under the Safe Drinking Water Act because the audit privilege and immunity laws of the Commonwealth, Va. Code §§ 10.1-1198 and 10.1-1199, do not apply to the amendments. Virginia's federally authorized environmental programs are subject to state environmental privilege and immunity laws; however, no immunity can be afforded from administrative, civil, or criminal penalties because granting such immunity would be inconsistent with federal law, which is a criterion for the application of immunity described in §§ 10.1-1198 and 10.1-1199. Consequently, the amendments are unaffected by the audit privilege and/or immunity laws of Virginia.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jessica D. Cooper".

Jessica D. Cooper
Assistant Attorney General

Dated: May 13, 2026