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MEMORANDUM

To: C. Ray Davenport

Commissioner

Virginia Department of Labor and Industry

From: Joshua E. Laws

Assistant Attorney General

Date: July 11, 2014

Subject: Letter of Assurance for Proposed Regulations – Final Rule for Electric Power Generation,

Transmission, and Distribution and Electric Protective Equipment, Parts 1910 and 1926

I have reviewed the Department of Labor and Industry's and Safety and Health Codes Board's proposed Final Rule for Electric Power Generation, Transmission, and Distribution and Electric Protective Equipment, Parts 1910 and 1926, and proposed repeal of 16VAC25-155 that were posted on the Virginia Regulatory Town Hall on July 1, 2014. In my view, as counsel to the Department of Labor and Industry and the Safety and Health Codes Board, these regulations may be promulgated, and 16VAC25-155 repealed, pursuant to Title 40.1 of the Code of Virginia. Further, I certify that all of the proposed changes are exempt from the Administrative Process Act under Code of Virginia § 2.2-4006(A)(4)(c) as the changes are necessary to meet the requirements of federal law or regulations and they do not materially differ from those required by federal law or regulation.

This memorandum addresses legal matters only and is not intended to serve, nor should it be construed, as a comment for or against the merits of the proposed regulations.