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MEMORANDUM

To: Cody Anderson

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Commission on Local Government

From: Justin I. Bell

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Date: November 19, 2021

Subject: Letter of Assurance for Periodic Review of Public Participation Guidelines, 1 VAC 50 □ 11.

Pursuant to the Code of Virginia and Executive Order 14 (2018), a periodic review of a regulation every four years shall include an examination by the Office of the Attorney General to ensure statutory authority. In that regard, I have reviewed the regulations of the Board of Agriculture and Consumer Services referenced above. In my view, these regulations may be retained without change according to §§ 2.2-4007.02 and 15.2-2903 of the *Code of Virginia*. The regulations do not appear to conflict with the Constitution of the United States or the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Virginia, nor do they appeal to conflict with any federal or state law currently in effect. 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.