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The Honorable David K. Paylor, Director
Virginia Department of Environmental Quality
629 East Main Street
Richmond, VA 23219

Re: Authority to Promulgate Amendments to Regulations for the Control and
Abatement of Air Pollution, Major New Source Review (9 VAC 5-80)

Dear Director Paylor:

I have reviewed the amendments to the above-referenced regulations. It is my opinion that the State Air Pollution Control Board has authority to promulgate these regulations under applicable law, including Chapter 13 of Title 10.1 of the Code of Virginia, and that the proposed amendments comport with applicable state law. Further, it is my opinion that the promulgation of these regulations is exempt from the Virginia Administrative Process Act, Va. Code §§ 2.2-4000, *et seq.*, pursuant to Va. Code § 2.2-4006(A)(3) and Va. Code § 2.2-4006(A)(4)(c).

If I may be of any further assistance to you relating to this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Sarah J. Surber".

Sarah J. Surber
Assistant Attorney General