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MEMORANDUM

TO: David K. Paylor, Director
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FROM: Matthew L. Gooch
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DATE: June 7, 2017

RE: Periodic review of 9VAC15-11, Public Participation Guidelines

Pursuant to Va. Code § 2.2-4017 and Executive Order 17 (2014), I have reviewed the above-referenced regulations of the Department of Environmental Quality. It is my opinion that the Department has statutory authority for the regulations, including section 2.2-4007.02 of the Code of Virginia, and has not exceeded that authority.

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