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Jay P. Douglas
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RE: Proposed Regulations
18 VAC90-40-10 et seq. Regulations Governing the Prescriptive Authority for Nurse Practitioners

Dear Ms. Douglas:

I have reviewed the Proposed Regulations, as cited above, in accordance with the Administrative Process Act. The amended regulations to establish regulations for the prescribing of controlled substances in the treatment of chronic pain are constitutional and in conformity with existing statutory provisions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "C. L. H. C.", written over a light blue background.

Senior Assistant Attorney General

cc: Elaine J. Yeatts, Agency Regulatory Coordinator
Department of Health Professions