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Division of Enforcement
Guidance Memorandum

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Addendum to Chapter 6

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Summary:

This guidance addresses revisions to the Administrative Process Act passed through HB 462 and SB 207 during the 2016 session of the General Assembly, which are effective July 1, 2016. The topics addressed by this addendum are limited to: 1) inclusion of DEQ staff contact information in notice letters, and 2) reconsideration of formal hearings.

Please note that this addendum is not a comprehensive revision to Chapter 6 of the Civil Enforcement Manual, which is comprised of guidance on Adversarial Administrative Actions drafted in 1999 and guidance on Formal Hearings drafted in 2007. When the Enforcement Division completes other necessary updates and revisions to Chapter 6, this addendum will be incorporated into the revised chapter.

Electronic Copy:

An electronic copy of this guidance is available on the Department's website at: Virginia DEQ – Enforcement – Laws, Regulations, and Guidance.

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