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Dear Ms. Cooper:

I would like to officially withdraw the Voluntary Farmland Protection Rule, 61CSR26 from the rule making process. Upon further review of the proposed legislative rule and the advice of counsel for the Rule Making Review Committee, these rules are not necessary to accomplish the objective of the statute.

If you have any questions, please contact me at 558-2201.

Sincerely,

Gus R. Douglass
Commissioner

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