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Office of the Attorney General

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Dear Mr. Collins:

You have requested an opinion as to the legal status of the Gaston Rural Community Water District, and whether it is an 'employer' within the meaning of South Carolina Code of Laws, § 9-1-10(5).

The District was created by Act No. 1062 of 1966. Its members are appointed by the Governor and its function is to provide water distribution service within its designated area. The District has been vested with the powers to enter into contracts, make binding agreements, and generally take such actions in its name as are necessary to accomplish the purposes described in Section 4 of the aforesaid Act.

On the basis of the foregoing, it is the opinion of this office that the Gaston Rural Community Water District is a political subdivision of the State and an 'employer' within the meaning of Code § 9-1-10(5). Sincerely yours,

Kenneth P. Woodington Senior Assistant Attorney General

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