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Office of the Attorney General

State of South Carolina

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Dear Mr. Collins:

You have requested an opinion as to the legal status of the Laurens County Water Resources Commission, and whether it is an “employer” within the meaning of South Carolina Code of Laws, Section 61-1(5).

The Commission was created by Act No. 1885 of 1972. Its members are appointed by the Laurens County Council and its function is to establish and operate water and sewage facilities in the county. The Commission 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 1 of the aforesaid Act.

On the basis of the foregoing, it is the opinion of this Office that the Laurens County Water Resources Commission is a political subdivision of the county.

Sincerely yours,

Kenneth P. Woodington
Assistant Attorney General

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