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We have reviewed the working papers for the audit of the City of Portsmouth, Virginia, and the audit of the City of Portsmouth School Board, for the year ended June 30, 2019. The purpose of our review was to determine whether:

- A. the audit complies with the Specifications for Audits of Counties, Cities, and Towns, issued by the Auditor of Public Accounts;
- B. the audit complies with Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States;
- C. the audit complies with the requirements of Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards;
- D. the annual financial reports comply with generally accepted accounting principles for governmental entities; and
- E. the auditor has performed the agreed upon procedures for the Comparative Report Transmittal Forms as set forth in the Uniform Financial Reporting Manual, issued by the Auditor of Public Accounts.

We conducted our review in accordance with the 2019 Quality Control Review Program for Audits of Local Governments, developed by the Auditor of Public Accounts. The review was limited to the audit of the City of Portsmouth, Virginia, and the audit of the City of Portsmouth School Board and did not extend to other engagements performed by your firm.

We found that for the audit of the City of Portsmouth, Virginia, and the audit of the City of Portsmouth School Board, for the year ended June 30, 2019, the working papers appropriately supported the requirements listed in A through E above. Firms can receive a rating of pass, pass with deficiencies, or fail. Cherry Bekaert LLP has received a review rating of pass.

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Sincerely,

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cc: City of Portsmouth
City of Portsmouth School Board
Virginia Board of Accountancy
Virginia Society of Certified Public Accountants