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Ms. Carol Tyrer
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Dear Carol:

I am writing to follow up on our meeting on August 19th focused on concerns brought to my attention regarding whether you meet the Professional Qualifications Standards for Archaeology.

First, I want to thank you for meeting with me so quickly, for providing the requested course transcript and for describing the content of the courses taken at the University of Denver. I also appreciate your prompt revision of your resume.

Following careful review of your academic transcript and other documentation, I have determined that you do not meet the minimum requirements established by The Secretary of the Interior's Standards and Guidelines for Archeology and Historic Preservation - Professional Qualifications Standards for Archaeology (48 FR 44739). This decision has consequences, and not just for the James River Water Authority Project. For example, going forward I will be unable to issue a burial permit when the application identifies you as the Principal Investigator. 17VAC5-20-40, the Virginia administrative code guiding the application of the burial permitting process, requires that the persons "planning and supervising the field investigation" associated with archaeological recovery of human remains meet these minimum requirements. Additionally, our review of your work completed on behalf of Federal agencies and their applicants in support of Section 106 compliance will be suspended pending discussions with agencies and how they intend to satisfy their statutory responsibility to meet applicable standards and guidelines.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Julie V. Langan".

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