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The Honorable President and Members  
of the Baltimore City Council  
Attn: Karen Randle, Executive Secretary  
Room 409, City Hall  
100 N. Holliday Street  
Baltimore, Maryland 21202

Re: Amendments to City Council Bill 08-0181 – Environmental and Civil  
Citations – Building Code Notices – Service

Dear Madame President and City Council Members:

The Law Department has reviewed the proposed amendments to City Council Bill 08-0181 for form and legal sufficiency. The amendments would allow for the first service of a notice by certified mail and subsequent notices by regular mail. This change is in accord with the Maryland Rules, which allow “every pleading and other paper filed after the original” to be sent by regular mail. *See* Md. Rule 1-321.

However, the Law Department reiterates that the bill still needs the clarifying language, “restricted delivery” after the word “certified mail” in each instance. Subject to this suggested change, the Law Department approves City Council Bill 08-0181 and its recently submitted amendment for form and legal sufficiency.

Very truly yours,

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Assistant Solicitor

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