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Joe A. Shearin  
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Eastern Virginia Bankshares, Inc.  
330 Hospital Road  
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**Re: Eastern Virginia Bankshares, Inc.  
Amendment No. 2 to Preliminary Proxy Statement on Schedule 14A  
Filed November 14, 2008  
File No. 000-23565**

Dear Mr. Shearin:

We have completed our review of your Preliminary Proxy Statement on Schedule 14A and have no further comments at this time.

Sincerely,

Jessica Livingston  
Staff Attorney