March 19, 2018

Pennsylvania General Energy Co., LLC
Attn: Douglas Kuntz, President
120 Market Street
Warren, PA 16365-2510

Dear Mr. Kuntz:

The Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection hereby rescinds Well Permit No. 37-063-31807-00-00 issued for the “Yanity” well in Grant Township, Indiana County (“Injection Permit”).

Operation of the injection well pursuant to the Injection Permit, issued on March 27, 2017 and amended on April 3, 2018, would violate a local law that is in effect. 58 Pa. C.S. § 3211(e.1)(1). Specifically, Section 301 of Grant Township’s Home Rule Charter bans the injection of oil and gas waste fluids. Therefore, the operation of the Yanity well as an oil and gas waste fluid injection well would violate that applicable law.

This rescission is not prejudicial to permittee, Pennsylvania General Energy, L.L.C., or another party, re-applying for an injection well permit designation for the Yanity well should the conflicting provisions of Grant Township’s Home Rule Charter be changed to allow injection wells or adjudicated as no longer lawfully prohibiting that injection use.

Any person aggrieved by this action may appeal the action to the Environmental Hearing Board (Board) pursuant to Section 4 of the Environmental Hearing Board Act, 35 P.S. § 7514, and the Administrative Agency Law, 2 Pa.C.S. Chapter 5A. The Board’s address is:

   Environmental Hearing Board
   Rachel Carson State Office Building, Second Floor
   400 Market Street
   P.O. Box 8457
   Harrisburg, PA 17105-8457

TDD users may contact the Board through the Pennsylvania Relay Service, 800-654-5984.

Appeals must be filed with the Board within 30 days of receipt of notice of this action unless the appropriate statute provides a different time. This paragraph does not, in and of itself, create any right of appeal beyond that permitted by applicable statutes and decisional law.

A Notice of Appeal form and the Board’s rules of practice and procedure may be obtained online at http://ehb.courtabpps.com or by contacting the Secretary to the Board at 717-787-3483. The Notice of Appeal form and the Board’s rules are also available in braille and on audiotape from the Secretary to the Board.

IMPORTANT LEGAL RIGHTS ARE AT STAKE. YOU SHOULD SHOW THIS DOCUMENT TO A LAWYER AT ONCE. IF YOU CANNOT AFFORD A LAWYER,
YOU MAY QUALIFY FOR FREE PRO BONO REPRESENTATION. CALL THE SECRETARY TO THE BOARD AT 717-787-3483 FOR MORE INFORMATION. YOU DO NOT NEED A LAWYER TO FILE A NOTICE OF APPEAL WITH THE BOARD.

IF YOU WANT TO CHALLENGE THIS ACTION, YOUR APPEAL MUST BE FILED WITH AND RECEIVED BY THE BOARD WITHIN 30 DAYS OF RECEIPT OF NOTICE OF THIS ACTION.

Regards,

Scott Perry
Deputy Secretary
Office of Oil and Gas Management