



May 1, 2024

The Honorable Steve DeFrank, Chair
Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission
400 North Street
Keystone Bldg.
Harrisburg, PA 17120

Re: **Final Rulemaking Regarding Hazardous Liquid Public Utility Safety Standards at 52 Pa, Code Chapter 59 (PUC #57-335 & IRRR #3330)**

Dear Chairman DeFrank:

On behalf of the Marcellus Shale Coalition (MSC), I write to express my appreciation for the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission's (PA PUC) reconsideration and revision of the above-referenced rulemaking concerning safety standards for hazardous liquids public utility pipelines.

As you know, promulgation of this rulemaking has been a lengthy process. The MSC appreciates the consideration by the PA PUC of the significant number of comments submitted during both the advanced notice of proposed rulemaking and the formal proposed rulemaking comment periods.

While a significant number of issues the MSC raised during these rounds of public comment were addressed, several remaining issues in the final rulemaking created some residual concern. However, the recent reconsideration and revision adopted by the PA PUC has helped greatly in alleviating these concerns.

The MSC joins the PA PUC in recognizing the paramount importance of public safety while also ensuring that operators have a path to achieving regulatory compliance. We are grateful for our ongoing relationship with the Commission to advance our mutual interest of operational safety and protecting employees and residents of local communities.

Again, thank you for your thoughtful approach in promulgating this rulemaking.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Dave Callahan".

Dave Callahan
President

cc: Honorable Members of the PA PUC