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Mr. Ryan Decker
PA Department of Environmental Protection
Southwest Regional Office
400 Waterfront Drive
Pittsburgh, PA 15222

**RE: Application for Water Quality Management Permit (Part II Permit)
Shell Chemical Appalachia LLC
Beaver County, Pennsylvania**

Dear Mr. Decker:

As we have discussed our Water Quality Management (WQM) application submitted on November 9, 2017 included the required "Design Engineers Report" that was prepared by the system designer – Bechtel. On every page in the Engineers Report, Bechtel included in the footnote the words - "**Confidential © 2016, 2017 Shell Chemical Appalachia LLC. All Rights Reserved**". Please note that this sentence is standard language included on all documents produced by Bechtel for the project and is not meant to identify confidential information as it would relate to PADEP permit documents. For this application, we did not intend for PADEP to consider this information to be treated as confidential per DEP's regulations at 25 Pa. Code § 92a.8. We understand and want to clarify that since this information was submitted with the application it is therefore a public document.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me at 724.709.2411.

Sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "H. James Sewell".

H. James Sewell
Environmental Manager
Shell Chemical Appalachia LLC

Cc: Kimberly Kaal, Environmental & Regulatory Lead