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February 7, 2011

Mr. Randall L. Crawford  
President, EQT Midstream & Distribution  
EQT Corporation  
625 Liberty Avenue  
Pittsburgh, PA 15222

**CPF 1-2006-1006**

Dear Mr. Crawford:

From July 11-15 and July 25-28 of 2005, representatives of the Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA) inspected Equitable Production Company's (Equitable), now known as EQT Midstream, Gas Integrity Management Program in Pittsburgh, PA. As a result of the inspection, PHMSA issued a Final Order to Equitable on May 13, 2010. The Final Order included a Compliance Order (CO) and Civil Penalty (CP) assessment. The CO required Equitable to take certain actions to ensure compliance with the pipeline safety regulations applicable to its operations. Among the requirements of the CO, Equitable must adequately document its completed and future External Corrosion Direct Assessment (ECDA) process pertaining to Line H-153 as prescribed in the regulations. However, Equitable has informed PHMSA that as of 2005 it no longer uses direct assessment as an assessment method. Equitable has since reassessed Line H-153 by a pressure test in 2008.

Based on our review of the documentation you provided on January 18, 2011, that includes data for the 2008 pressure test for Line H-153 and confirmation of payment of the civil penalty, it has been determined that you have complied with the terms of this Final Order.

Accordingly, this case is now closed and no further action is contemplated with respect to the matters involved in this case. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely,

Byron Coy, PE  
Director, Eastern Region  
Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration