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REGION III
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Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19103-2029

Mr. Matthew B. Pagels, President
Seneca Nation of Indians
12837 Route 438
Cattaraugus Territory
Irving, NY 14081

Re: Final UIC Permit Decision for Sandstone Development LLC
PAS2R420BMCK

Dear President Pagels:

The United States Environmental Protection Agency, Region III (EPA) thanks you and the Seneca Nation of Indians (the Nation) for the patient dedication displayed throughout our consultation process regarding the proposed issuance of an Underground Injection Control Class II-R (UIC) permit (PAS2R420BMCK) to Sandstone Development LLC of Bradford, Pennsylvania. On August 31, 2021, the Nation provided EPA with comments on the proposed UIC permit and declined further consultation. EPA prepared the enclosed response to the Nation's comments. We hope that it addresses the Nation's comments satisfactorily, and we thank the Nation for sharing its concerns. EPA has decided to issue a final permit to Sandstone Development. The permit and its authorization to inject shall remain in effect for the operational life of the facility.

If the Nation has any questions please do not hesitate to contact me at 215-814-2737, please contact Mr. Ryan Hancharick at hancharick.ryan@epa.gov or 215-814-3278.

Sincerely,

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