

**U.S. Environmental Protection Agency - Region III
Ground Water & Enforcement Branch (3WP22)
1650 Arch Street
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19103**

**Grant Township, Indiana County, Pennsylvania
Pennsylvania General Energy Company, LLC (PGE) PAS2D013BIND**

Proposal to issue a final Underground Injection Control permit; a request for public comment and opportunity for public hearing

Public Comments will be accepted until October 28, 2013

NOTICE:

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region III (EPA) plans to issue an Underground Injection Control (UIC) permit to PGE under the authority of the Federal UIC regulations at 40 C.F.R. Parts 124, 144, 146, and 147. The permit is necessary to construct and operate one class II-D brine disposal injection well.

DESCRIPTION:

PGE submitted an application to EPA in February, 2013 requesting to convert a gas production well, the Marjorie C. Yanity 1025, to a privately owned brine disposal injection well. The well would be used for the injection of fluids produced in association with PGE's oil and gas production operations. The proposed injection well is located in Grant Township, Indiana County, Pennsylvania. EPA has developed a draft permit which allows PGE to convert a gas production well into a brine disposal well and to inject produced fluids from oil and gas operations into the Huntersville Chert Formation at a depth of 7532 feet.

OPPORTUNITY FOR COMMENT:

EPA requests public comment on its findings that the proposed injection activity in the draft permit is unlikely to pose a risk to underground sources of drinking water. Please mail public comments on the draft UIC permit to the EPA address listed above to the attention of Stephen Platt, or e-mail comments to platt.steve@epa.gov, by October 28, 2013. *A public hearing has been tentatively scheduled for Monday, October 28, 2013 at 7:00 PM at the Grant Township, PA Municipal Building, 100 East Run Road, Marion Center, PA 15759. Requests to hold a public hearing must be received by EPA in the office listed above by Friday, October 18, 2013.* When requesting a public hearing, please state the nature of the issues you propose to raise. EPA expressly reserves the right to cancel this hearing unless a significant degree of public interest, specific to the proposed underground injection permit, is evidenced by the above date.

AVAILABILITY OF INFORMATION:

The Administrative Record for this draft permit is available for public inspection during normal business hours at the offices of U.S. EPA Region III, at the address shown above. All information submitted by the applicant, unless deemed confidential, is included in the Administrative Record and is available to the public for review. Copies of the permit application, the draft permit, and the statement of basis are available for review and inspection at the Indiana Free Library, 845 Philadelphia Street, Indiana, Pennsylvania 15701.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION:

Interested persons may obtain further information by contacting Stephen Platt at the address listed above or by phone at 215-814-5464.

