



July 6, 2016

John Armstead - 3LC00 Division Director US EPA Region 3 1650 Arch Street Philadelphia, PA 19103

RE: Washington Gas PCB Plan Extension

Mr. Armstead,

Washington Gas submitted its original *Quality Assurance Plan for PCB Pipe Sampling in Small-Diameter Natural Gas Pipelines* to the Environmental Protection Agency on January 30th, 2006. EPA granted that approval on August 21, 2006 following a public comment period. The 10-year window for this approval is currently nearing its end, so Washington Gas would like to officially request that the "Approval for Alternative Characterization and Abandonment Procedures for Natural Gas Pipeline" be reissued. To date, WG has performed more than 1,100 tests of piping in an effort to identify locations with remnant PCB contamination. We believe this methodology has been beneficial and wish to continue to use it as a part of our standard Operations and Maintenance procedures.

Please feel free to email rmiller@washgas.com or call 571 205-0688 with any questions or comments you may have.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure

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