

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY REGION III

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VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

Ms. Ann Schoolcraft Environmental Resources Management, Inc. 204 Chase Drive Hurricane, West Virginia 25526 Ann.Schoolcraft@erm.com

Re: Chesapeake Appalachia, LLC

Tall Trees Well Pad Restoration Upshur County, West Virginia Civil Action 5:13-CV-00170-FPS

Dear Ms. Schoolcraft:

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA") has completed its review of *Annual Monitoring Report: Year 5 for the Tall Trees Restoration* ("Monitoring Report"), dated December 20, 2022. The Tall Trees Site is located approximately at the intersection of State Route 20/US Route 119 and County Route 20/27 in Upshur County, West Virginia. The onsite restoration work involved 225 linear feet of SWV-RGJ-002, 250 linear feet of SWV-RGJ-004, and 663 linear feet of SWV-RGJ-006. The Monitoring Report indicates that these aquatic resources are self-sustaining and meeting the approved, amended performance standards, and requests release from monitoring. Based on the information provided, EPA agrees pursuant to Appendix B, Paragraph II.b that the performance measures for restoration of the site have been achieved, no further monitoring is required, and the site is released from further review.

Should you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact Katelyn Almeter, of my staff, at 215-814-2797 or by email at almeter.katelyn@epa.gov.

Sincerely,

Renee Bryant, Acting for Stacie Pratt, Chief Water Branch Enforcement & Compliance Assurance Division RE: Chesapeake Appalachia, LLC Tall Trees Well Pad Restoration

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