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## **MEMORANDUM**

TO:

All GP-WV-1-88 Permittees

FROM:

James A. Martin, Chief

DATE:

July 30, 2010

SUBJECT:

Completion returns from the Marcellus Shale formation.

Please be advised that effective August 1, 2010, under the Office of Oil and Gas's one-year extension of General Water Pollution Control Permit GP-1-WV-88 (also known as the land application permit), the land application of any return fluids from completion activities in the Marcellus Shale formation is prohibited. Recycling, reuse and UIC continue to be acceptable disposal methods.

This restriction shall remain in place until further notice.

This directive is issued pursuant to sections C.4, and G.17 of GP- WV -1-88 and W.Va. Code §§ 22-6-2(c), (c)(9), and (c)(12).

If you have any questions concerning this directive, please contact the Office of Oil and Gas at (304) 926-0450.

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