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DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION
NORTHCENTRAL REGIONAL OFFICE

7/14/2011

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CERTIFIED MAIL NO. [REDACTED]

Re: Act 223, Section 208 Determination
Complaint No. 279442
Allegany Township, Potter County

Dear [REDACTED]

The Department has investigated the possible degradation of your water supply well located at [REDACTED] in response to a 5/4/2011 complaint that recent gas well drilling activities may have affected your water well. Because drilling activities occurred at a gas well within one thousand feet of your water supply, and the pollution occurred and was reported within six months after completion of those activities, under section 208(c) of the the Oil and Gas Act (58 P.S. §601.208 (c), the gas well operator is presumed to be responsible for the degradation of your water supply.

On 5/5/2011, the Department collected samples from your water supply. The samples were submitted to the Department's laboratory in Harrisburg for analysis. The analytical reports for the samples are included, as well as documents that will assist you with interpreting the sample results. The sample results indicated all compounds met Department standards for which a standard exists. The Department's investigation indicates that the previous impact to your water supply appears to have been temporary, and that water quality has returned to background conditions.

Based on water quality sample results to date, the Department does not anticipate requiring any further action in relation to this matter. Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact William J. Kosmer, P.G. at 570-974-2613.

Sincerely,

Jennifer W. Means
Environmental Program Manager
Oil and Gas Management

Enclosures:
Laboratory Analytical Results