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Secretary PA Public Utility Commission P.O. Box 3265 Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17105

Re: Implementation of Unconventional Gas Well

> Impact Fee Act, Act 13 of 2012 Docket No. M-2012-2288561

Dear Secretary:

Enclosed is the Notice of Election to Implement the Impact Fee as well as a verified copy of Ordinance No. 1-2012 of Somerset County in connection with the above-referenced matter.

Please let me know if any additional information is requested or required to comply with the tentative implementation order.

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BEFORE THE
PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
Harrisburg, PA 17105-3265

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In Re:

Act 13 of 2012 – Implementation of Unconventional Gas Well Impact Fee Act SOMERSET COUNTY, PA

M-2012-2288561

NOTICE OF ELECTION TO IMPLEMENT AN IMPACT FEE

TO THE COMMISSION:

AND NOW, comes Somerset County, by its Solicitor, Daniel W. Rullo, Esq., of Barbera, Clapper, Beener, Rullo & Melvin, LLP, and officially files a Notice that Somerset County adopted an Ordinance identified as Ordinance No. 1-2012 electing to impose an unconventional gas well fee on each unconventional gas well spud in Somerset County as authorized in Title 58 (Oil and Gas) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes as amended by Act of February 14, 2012 (P.L. 87, No. 13). A verified copy of said Ordinance is attached hereto, made a part hereof and marked **EXHIBIT A**.

Please accept this Notice of the implementation of an impact fee pursuant to Section 2302 of the Act.

Respectfully submitted,

BARBERA, CLAPPER, BEENER, RULLO & MELVIN, LLP

Date: April 12, 2012

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EXHIBIT A

ORDINANCE NO. 1 -2012

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An ordinance of Somerset County

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BE IT ENACTED:

Section 1. The county of **Somerset** hereby imposes an unconventional gas well fee on each unconventional gas well spud in this county, as authorized in Title 58.

Section 2. Definitions. The following words and phrases when used in this ordinance shall have the meanings given to them in this section unless the context clearly indicates otherwise:

"Fee." The unconventional gas well fee imposed under section 2302 of Title 58.

"Spud." The actual start of drilling of an unconventional gas well.

"Title 58." Title 58 (Oil and Gas) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes as amended by Act of February 14, 2012 (P.L.87, No.13).

"Unconventional gas well." A bore hole drilled or being drilled for the purpose of or to be used for the production of natural gas from an unconventional formation.

Section 3. The unconventional gas well fee shall be applicable, and shall be administered, as provided for in Title 58.

Section 4. This ordinance shall take effect immediately and shall remain in effect until repealed or amended.

Section 5. A copy of this ordinance shall be transmitted to the Public Utility Commission as required by Title 58.

Enacted this **10-k**lay of **April**, 2012

Commissioner

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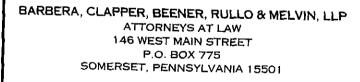
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