



July 17, 2018

By Email

Mr. Lee Crowell  
Virginia Department of Environmental Quality  
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Richmond, Virginia 23219  
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**Re: Response to Notice of Violation No. 2018-CO-0001 Dated July 9, 2018**

Dear Mr. Crowell:

Mountain Valley Pipeline is committed to attaining the highest level of environmental compliance for all phases of the design, construction, and operation of the project. Throughout this process, Mountain Valley has worked closely with the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) to ensure that we meet that objective. This was exemplified most recently by the voluntary suspension of construction activities that was implemented by Mountain Valley on June 29, after consultation with DEQ, to focus exclusively on repairing and enhancing soil erosion and sediment controls that were affected by recent weather events.

Mountain Valley is presently reviewing the observations recited in DEQ's Notice of Violation No. 2018-CO-0001 that was issued on July 9, 2018. We take these matters seriously and welcome the opportunity to discuss them further with DEQ's staff. Mountain Valley will follow up with DEQ shortly to coordinate the scheduling of a conference at a time and place that is convenient for you.

In the meantime, please feel free to contact Mr. Brian Clauto or myself if you have any questions. I can be reached by telephone at (412) 295-3487 or by email at rpichardo@eqt.com. You may contact Mr. Clauto by telephone at (724) 873-3465 or bclauto@eqt.com.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "R. Pichardo".

Robert Pichardo  
Senior Staff Attorney

Cc: Mr. Jerome Brooks, DEQ  
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Mr. Brian Clauto, EQT