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Attn: Shani Pines, ALJ

RE: *INVESTIGATION INTO RECOVERY OF SAFETY COSTS BY  
NATURAL GAS UTILITIES*  
Docket No. UM 1722

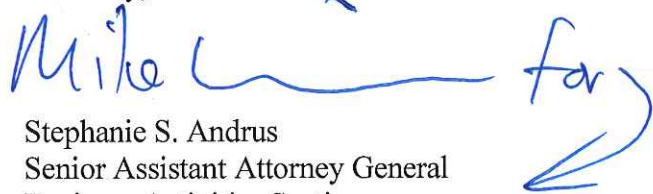
Dear ALJ Pines,

I am writing to provide an update regarding Docket No. UM 1722. Parties have met for one workshop. Currently, the parties are attempting to agree on set of principles that could guide the Commission's determination of whether to allow a recovery mechanism for pipeline safety costs. The parties' delay in this effort is due primarily to workload issues.

Staff asks the ALJ to establish a due date for a status report no sooner than July 20, 2015.

Thank you for your attention.

Sincerely,

  
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Enclosures  
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