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Senator Harry Brown  
N.C. Senate  
300 N Salisbury Street, Room 300-B  
Raleigh, NC 27603-5925

Representative Dean Arp  
N.C. House of Representatives  
300 N Salisbury Street, Room 529  
Raleigh, NC 27603-5925

Dear Senator Brown and Representative Arp:

As you are aware, DEQ produced thousands of documents in response to your public records request on December 20, 2018. As you are also aware, DEQ staff and leadership have responded to every request to appear in front of legislative committees and have answered all questions committee members have asked.

I can assure you we are prepared and will encourage our staff to provide any information to the General Assembly requested through an open and transparent process before the subcommittee and the public. We have concerns with the prospect of open-ended, private interviews that could violate the rights of DEQ employees.

I look forward to hearing from you on when you will schedule a public hearing on the Atlantic Coast Pipeline so DEQ employees and I can answer your questions in an open and transparent forum.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Michael S. Regan".

Michael S. Regan  
Secretary  
Department of Environmental Quality

