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Karen Hays, Chief  
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Dear Ms. Hays:

This correspondence is being sent to provide you with a final status of the U. S. Environmental Protection Agency – Title V Program Evaluation conducted on July 29, 2015, and the follow-up information provided by Georgia Environmental Protection Division (GA EPD) on August 12, 2015. The purpose of the program evaluation was to review the status and the ability of the GA EPD to carry out the duties and responsibilities required to effectively run the title V programs, as well as find out how the EPA can best assist the GA EPD in meeting these commitments.

The title V program evaluation provided an opportunity for the EPA to ensure that the GA EPD was fulfilling the requirements of part 70. The program evaluation consisted of a review of the title V revenue and expenses, staffing plans, public participation and permit file review. During the evaluation, no major areas of concern were noted. However, during the file review portion of the evaluation, several source files were found to be missing key documents. Upon inquiry, the missing files were readily located. This was noted and attributed to the program transitioning from maintaining a hard copy filing system to an electronic filing system. While this explanation addresses our concern, we encourage the GA EPD to quality assure that the complete files are being transmitted to the electronic filing system. No other concerns were found during the evaluation.

I would like to thank you and your staff for your cooperation throughout the evaluation. Your staff responded to the questionnaire and provided all requested material in a timely and professional manner. These questionnaires will be kept on file at the Region 4 office and a copy of this letter will be posted to the EPA Region 4 website.

In conclusion, the EPA believes that the GA EPD is operating the title V program at a high level of proficiency and looks forward to continuing to working with the GA EPD to maintain a high quality title V program. I commend you on the performance of your title V program.

If you have any questions regarding the report, please do not hesitate to contact me or have your staff contact Randy Terry of the EPA Region 4 staff at (404) 562-9032.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Beverly H. Banister", with a small "fn" written below the end of the signature.

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