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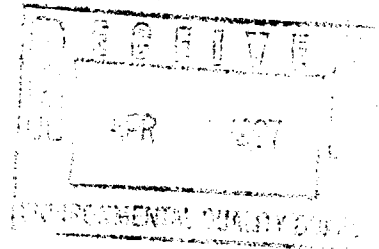
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Environmental Quality Board
DEP, P.O. Box 8465
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To Whom It May Concern:

Please reject the DEP's current
anti-degradation proposal and adopt the
simpler, better standards of the EPA that
will protect our waterways from any more
degradation.

A concerned citizen,
Maureen Sameroff



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To: Environmental Quality Board

I am very concerned about the quality of of water. I think we need standards that will protect our waterways from any more degradation.

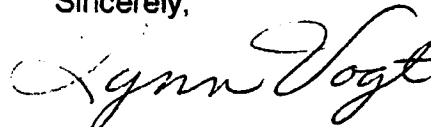
Please reject the DEP's current anti-degradation proposal.

I am requesting a reply from you on this matter. My address is :

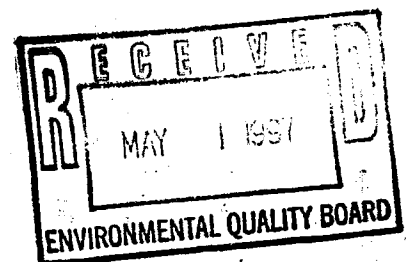
Lynn Vogt
306 Allegheny Ave.
Elizabeth, PA 15037

Thank you for your consideration of this important issue.

Sincerely,



Lynn Vogt



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I find it impossible to comprehend how the board that is supposed to protect waterways in Pennsylvania is now proposing to allow additional discharges into some of the states best streams. What the residents of Pennsylvania need are standards that protect our waterways from further degradation, not destroy them. **Please reject the DEP's proposal to further degrade our streams.**



Jim Tate
9 Harvey Lane
Malvern, PA 19355



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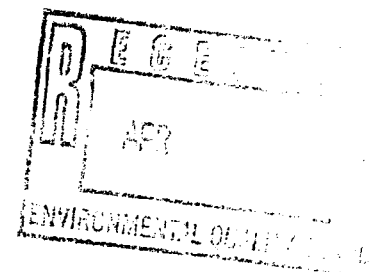
WATER QUALITY DIVISION

1027 N Valley Forge Rd
Unit 524
Devon, PA 19333

I do not believe that the new regulations proposed by the DEP do enough to protect water quality. I urge you to propose stronger regs which are more stringent against discharge, and which qualify more streams for protection.

I would appreciate a reply which addresses my concerns.

Nancy Sargent



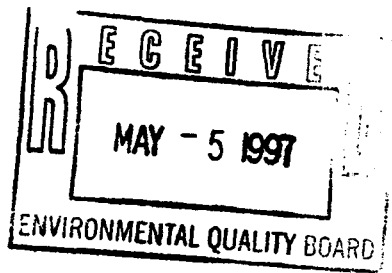
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Please report the DEP's current
anti-degradation proposal.

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RE: New Proposal/Water Quality Rules

Gentlemen:

I want to go on record as protesting the new proposal.

I am not at all satisfied with the continued effort on the part of DEP to continually avoid to offer protection of Pennsylvania waters. The states's representatives are still very slow to act which has twice in recent history resulted in hearings which found the DEP at fault and obligated the EPA to step in.

The new proposal is worse!! For example:

1) High Quality and Exceptional value need to stay as protected water uses so that our best streams will not be down graded.

2) In contradiction to Federal regulations, no weight is given to public lands

3) The proposal, as written would allow discharges and degradation in Exceptional Value waters.

4) Waters not yet assessed are protected at the lowest level. At the sluggish pace evaluations take, how long will they last?

In the interest of our futures, not to mention the future of generations to come, this proposal should be rejected as being unhealthy to the environment. It is just irresponsible and wrong!

Please communicate my feelings to the Board. Thank you.

Regards,

Susan A. McGarvey

cc: Valley Forge Trout Unlimited

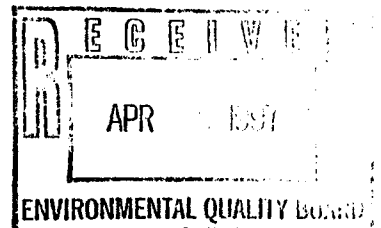
To Whom It may concern;

As a concerned citizen, taxpayer,
and registered voter I urge you
to reject the DEP's current anti-
degradation proposal. Please adopt
the simpler standards set by the EPA.
Thank you

Sincerely,

Cynthia Margeron
511 Woodbourne Ave
Pgh. PA. 15226

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To the Environmental Quality
Board:

I am writing to ask you
to reject the DEP's current
anti-degradation proposal.
The simpler, better standards
of the EPA seem like
the best answer. I urge
you to consider this.
We need good water
quality!

Cass Halliker
33 Newport Dr.
Wayne PA
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**The DEP is proposing new regulations that
would lower water quality standards.**

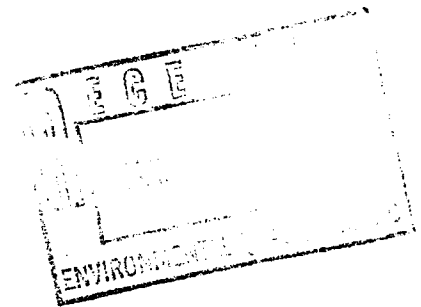
**Please REJECT the DEP's current anti-degradation
proposal.**

**We need standards that protect our waterways
from any more degradation.**

**Please respond and let me know your thoughts
on this and how you intend to vote.**

Thank you,

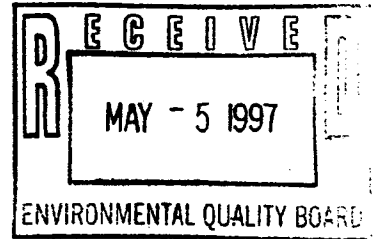
A. M. Kelly
Anna Marie Kelly



STATE OF PENNSYLVANIA
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION
HARRISBURG, PA 17105

CAROL F. HIGGINS

Four Goshorn Drive
Malvern, PA 19355-2612
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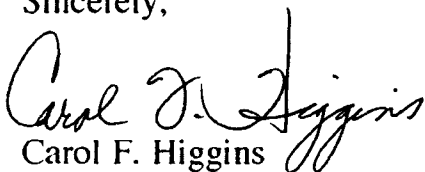
Ladies & Gentlemen:

I am hopeful that you will reject the DEP's proposed new regulations that would lower water quality standards. Their proposal would allow additional discharges into our best streams and would eliminate many streams from qualifying for strong protection.

I strongly urge you to adopt the simpler, better standards of the EPA.

A response to this writing would be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,


Carol F. Higgins

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Dear Sirs:

Please reject the DEP's current anti-degradation proposal.

It makes more sense to adopt the simpler, better standards of the EPA.

sincerely,

Barbara Berry-Jancic

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Barbara Jancic
21 Long Ln.
Malvern, PA 19355-2946

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WEST CHESTER PA 19380

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Re: New Proposal/Water Quality Rules

Gentlemen:

Please accept this letter in protest against the subject.

I am not at all satisfied with the continued effort on the part of the DEP to avoid reasonable protection for Pennsylvania waters. The persons operating as the state's representatives continue to apply dilatory tactics which have twice within my memory resulted in litigation which found the DEP at fault and which forced the EPA to step in.


The new proposals, in my opinion, are worse.

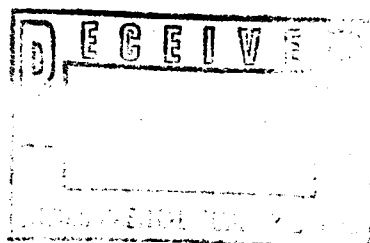
1. HQ and EV need to stay as protected water uses to protect our best streams from being downgraded.
2. Contrary to Federal regs, no weight is given to public lands in the selection process.
3. Another loophole allows discharges and degradation in EV waters.
4. There is no integration of wetlands protection with anti-degradation.
5. Waters not yet assessed are protected at the lowest level. How long can be they expected to last under these conditions?

This proposal is loaded with items which are damaging to the environment. These regulations in their present form should be rejected.

Please convey my feelings to the members of the Board.
Thank you.

Sincerely:


W. Daniel Rudloff



310 Bishop Morgan CT
Downingtown, PA 19335
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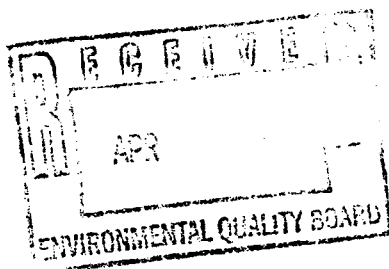
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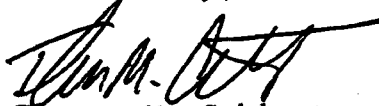
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Yours truly,


Thomas M. Coblentz

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Warren E. Linehan
10 Timber Lane
Paoli, PA. -19301

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Environmental Quality Board, DEP
PO Box 8465
Harrisburg, PA 17105

Subj: DEP's Anti-Degradation Proposal currently being formulated

Dear DEP Personnel:

I have just learned that the PA Environmental Quality Board's DEP is currently considering a water/environmental anti-degradation proposal which in reality promotes degradation. I am opposed to any proposals that would allow for selective degradation of our watershed for mere convenience. I will concede that there may possibly be some stipulations of current law that are counter productive and should be updated. However, any proposal that seeks to allow introduction of true toxic material to waterways and/or relaxes enforcement of currently protected watershed should be opposed. I believe we need greater protection of water quality and increased water reserves. Our real future as a civilization demands it and my decedents will thank you for helping to protect this invaluable resource. In this regard, I urge you to require that proposals meet the following criteria:

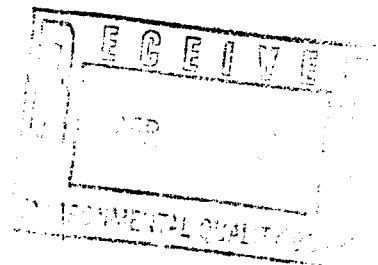
1. "Responsible parties" must be accountable. People/corporations that cause pollution should be required to clean it up and otherwise not profit by their lack of respect for the environment.
2. Require polluters to actually clean up their contamination, not just put a fence around it.
3. Set cleanup standards to provide reasonable protection now and improved protection as time marches on. We must restore an already badly damaged resource.

All of us here today and those yet to be born rely on the availability of a safe and clean water supply. If government doesn't look after this interest, then all else has little value. It is imperative, therefore, that you ensure that the environment that provides our water supply is safe.

A reply to my concerns would be appreciated.

Respectfully,

Warren E. Linehan
Warren E. Linehan



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Thelora Stenger
1756 Elinor St.
Bethlehem, PA 18015

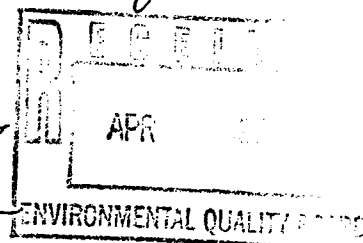
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Dear Sir,

I encourage you to
reject the DEP's Current
Anti Degradation Proposal.

I am a Pennsylvania
Home owner, tax payer and
Registered voter. I feel
standards for clean water
should be made stronger
not weaker.

Sincerely
T. Stenger



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re: New Proposal/Water Quality Rules

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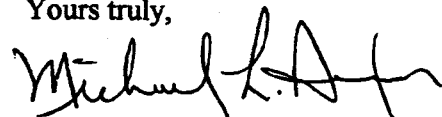
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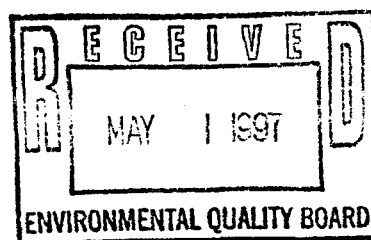
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Yours truly,



Michael L. Dixon



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Mary M. McCracken
618 Wallace Drive
Wayne, PA 19087

Re: Clean Water

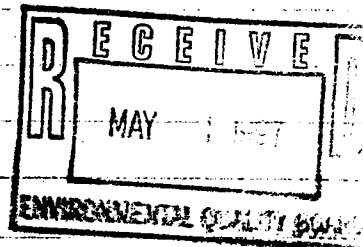
Dear Madam or Sir:

In Pennsylvania, we need standards that protect our waterways from any further degradation as well as maintaining water quality standards. PLEASE REJECT THE DEP'S CURRENT ANTI-DEGRADATION PROPOSAL!

Please send me a reply to the letter. I thank you for your attention to the matter.

Sincerely,

MARY M. MCCRACKEN



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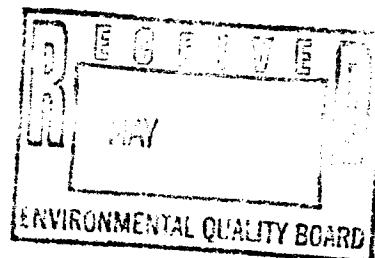
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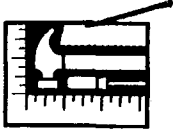
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Yours truly,

Lois M. Dixon



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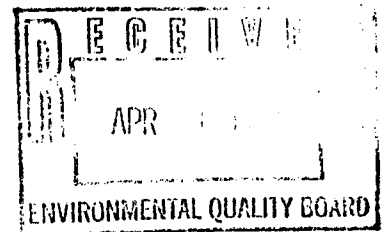
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Dear Board Members

PLEASE REJECT THE DEP'S CURRENT
ANTI-DEGRADATION PROPOSAL
PLEASE ADOPT THE BETTER STANDARDS OF
THE E.P.A.

I URGENTLY AWAIT YOUR REPLY

James W Zanine



Lance L. Morien
428 St. Ann's Circle
Phoenixville, PA 19460

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POB 8465
Harrisburg, PA 17105

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Re: New Proposal/Water Quality Rules

Gentlemen:

This letter is in protest of the new proposal for water quality rules.

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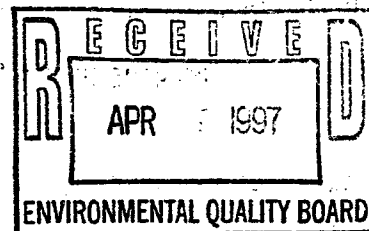
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Sincerely,


Lance L. Morien



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Bruce and Hilary Burton
1578 Salomon Lane
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Telephone: 610 993 0119

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Environmental Quality Board
DEP, PO Box 8465, Harrisburg
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Dear Sir

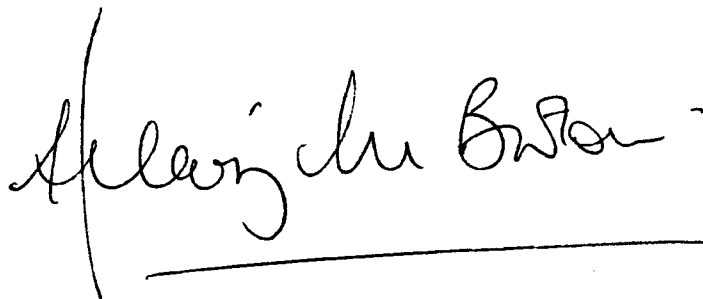
Re - New Regulations relating to the Clean Water Act

I would urge you to think again about the new regulations proposed by the DEP. These would lower water quality, rather than raising them. We must be prepared to continually aim for higher standards if we are to protect the safety and quality of life for present and future generations.

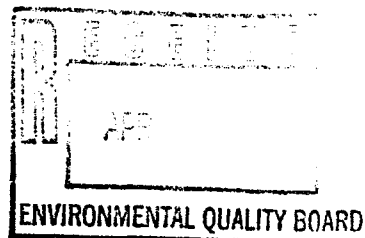
Please adopt the simpler, better standards of the EPA.

I would much appreciate a response to my letter

Yours faithfully



Hilary M Burton (Mrs)



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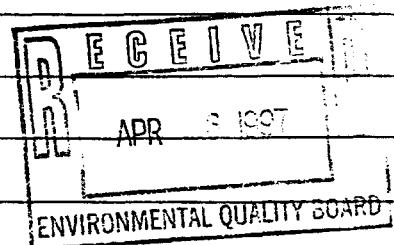
To whom it may concern - E. Q. B.

I am concerned about water quality standards. The DEP is proposing new regulations that would lower water quality standards. Please work to reject the DEP's current anti-degradation proposal. Continue to work for simpler, better standards for the E.P.A. to protect our waterways.

Thank you.

Kretchen Stahl

P.S. I would appreciate a brief reply.



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RE: Proposal/Water Quality Rules

Dear Board:

This letter is written in protest of the proposed changes to Pennsylvania's water quality rules.

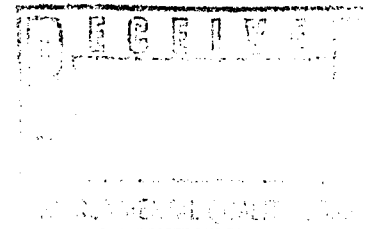
I am dissatisfied with DEP's apparent unwillingness to provide adequate protection for Pennsylvania's waters. This latest effort is similar to others which have resulted in litigation and forced the EPA to intervene. This new proposal falls short in a number of areas, such as:

- 1) Contrary to Federal regulations, no weight is given to public lands in the selection process;
- 2) HQ and EV need to stay as protected water uses, so that our best and most valuable streams will not be downgraded;
- 3) A loophole in the new proposal allows for discharges and degradation in EV waters;
- 4) There is no integration of wetlands protection with antidegradation.

This new proposal should be rejected because it is a major step backwards in the protection of Pennsylvania's waters. Please convey my opinion of this potentially damaging proposal to the Board. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mark B. Boas, O.D., M.S.



577 W. UWCHLAN AVE. • EXTON, PA 19341
(610) 363-2303

On behalf of Pennsylvania waterways and Marlborough Township's petition before the Environmental Quality Board (EQB), it is important that you take a few minutes to write a note something like the following, to:

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James Seif
Chairman Environmental Quality Board
P.O. Box 2063
Harrisburg, PA 17110

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ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY BOARD
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Dear Mr. Seif:

I am writing to express my disappointment with the proposed regulations for the EQB to protect Pennsylvania's waterways, as adopted January 21, 1997.

We need regulations which meet minimum Federal requirements, and existing uses of our streams and rivers need to be protected unconditionally, as would be the case with Federal regulations, and not after a DEP "review of technical data."

"High Quality" protection needs to be extended to all streams where water chemistry is better than existing standards. We need regulations which improve rather than decrease the chance that a stream can become classified "High Quality." The biology test in your proposed rules would have the effect of disqualifying some streams from protection they otherwise would receive using Federal guidelines.

As a nearby resident of Unami Creek (in western Montgomery County), which is under consideration for "Exceptional Value" status before the EQB, I am very disappointed your proposed regulations would have the effect of making it more difficult for streams to be so classified. In addition, your proposed regulations do not properly take into account the role of U.S. endangered species and public ownership of land, and EPA concerns about discharges into our waterways.

You appear to be siding with polluters in your proposed rules, while ignoring most of the public comments following the May 1966 proposal for new Pennsylvania waterway regulations.

Sincerely,

*Mr. & Mrs. Albert Mc Crae
4045 Campbell Rd.
Pennsburg, Pa 18093*

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DREW CARLSON

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RE: New Proposal / Water Quality Rules

Dear Board of Decision Makers:

This letter is my protest AGAIN against the wrong headed proposed water rules and quality rules.

The action of the deciding board is in tune with the governs tourist slogan "Pennsylvania Memories" and that's what our water way are becoming under your leadership!

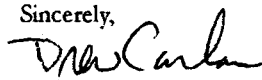
I have a five year old son who most likely will move from Pennsylvania because the long term result of your decision are poor water for the future generation. Trout Unlimited, River Keepers and Stream Watch all work hard to preserve the beauty of our state, the least you can do to earn your pay is do the right thing : It's your legacy.

The new proposal is WORSE THAN EVER!

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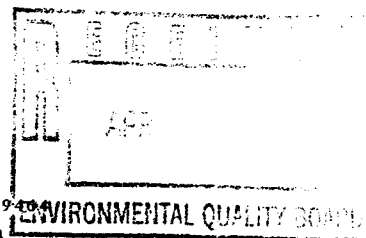
Sincerely,



Drew Carlson

cc: Rob Reber, House of Representatives

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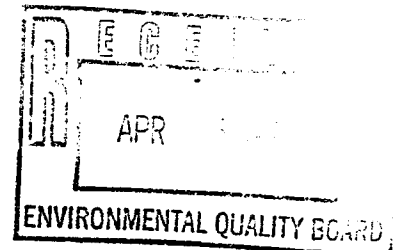
Mr. James M. Seif, Chairman
Environmental Quality Board
P.O. Box 8477
Harrisburg, PA 17101-8477

Dear Mr. Seif:

I am responding to the proposed rule-making on antidegradation published in the March 22, 1997 Pennsylvania Bulletin. I believe that the proposal will not protect Pennsylvania's water because of the loopholes it contains. I believe that the current EPA regulations offer more protection for Pennsylvania's streams and rivers. I would like for you to support the EPA regulations over the new Pennsylvania proposal.

Sincerely,

Susan C Knasko
Susan C. Knasko, Ph.D.





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Dale D. Goodman
Vice President

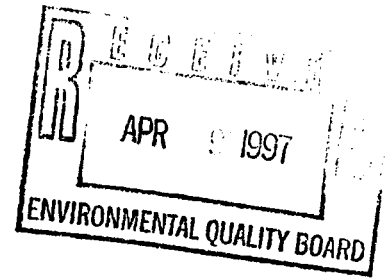
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201 South Gulph Road
P.O. Box 62010
King of Prussia, PA 19406
Phone (610) 992-3180
Fax (610) 992-8182

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Edward R. Brezina
Bureau of Watershed Conservation
P.O. Box 8555
Harrisburg, PA 171055-8555

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RE: Proposed Antidegradation Regulations

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In addition, these proposed regulations do not meet minimum federal requirements, and you know that they do not. You were hired to protect the environment, so please do your job and stop wasting taxpayer money by refusing to comply with the law.

Sincerely,


Name: RICHARD PHILIPS GEORG

Address: 118 W. MINER ST.
WEST CHESTER, PA. 19382

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cc: Michael McCabe,
EPA Regional Administrator
841 Chestnut Building
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Nova Mackenthey

Name: *Nova Mackenthey*

Address: *CMU SMK 1097
PO Bx 2888
Pittsburgh, PA 15230*

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I URGE YOU TO ADOPT THE SIMPLER,
BETTER WATER STANDARDS OF THE EPA
AND TO REJECT THE CURRENT PROPSAL
SET BEFORE YOU BY THE DEP.

SHANNON NELSON

2 DEVON ROAD
MALVERN PA 19355

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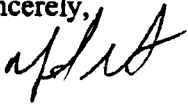
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NICK VASTARDIS, 29 Harvey Ln, Marwata PA 19355

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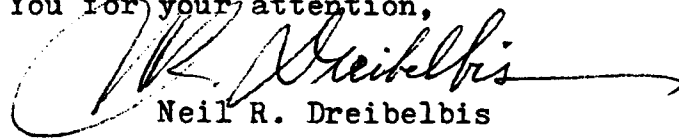
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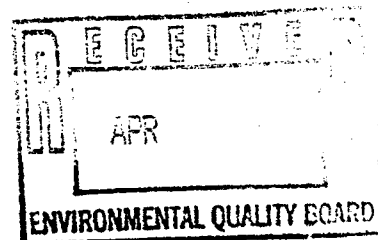
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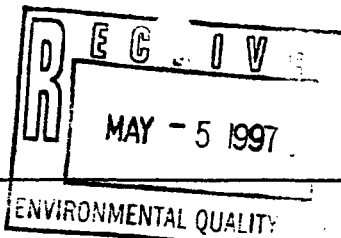
I was recently in Harrisburg to a reception you sponsored for youth and their art poster calendar achievement for our environment. All the good words and deeds by your department and state officials on how you are constantly trying to protect, conserve, and preserve our environment and then you want to sneak in a proposal for new regulations that would eliminate or lower water quality standards? The Clean Water Act requires states to protect waterways from further degradation, I do not understand your thinking. As a resident of Pennsylvania I would like a reply as to why you have come up with this proposal and for what purpose. Also, why on earth would you want to lower water quality standards?

Thank You for your attention,



Neil R. Dreibelbis
305 Penn's Lane
Malvern, PA 19355-3202





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Dear Environmental Quality Board:

I am writing you to urge you to not allow new regulations to lower water quality standards (Additional discharges into streams) and not protecting smaller streams would be a terrible mistake for the environment and for all animals and people in the environment.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Timothee Jean Kearns

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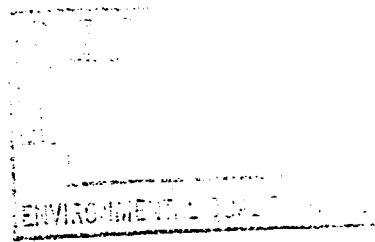
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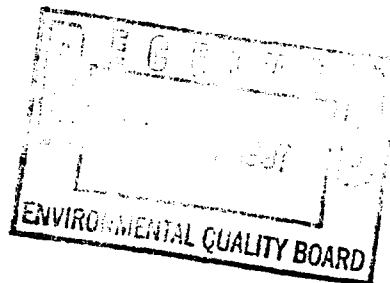
Dear Environmental Quality Board :

I join the Clean Water Action in protecting our waterways. As a human being with the ability to protect our earth & children from pollution, please, reject the DEP's current anti-degradation proposal.

Sincerely,



Terry Nesmith
106 Winchester Dr.
Quakertown, PA 18951



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Tom Prusak
601 Shippen Drive
Chester Springs, PA 19425

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Environmental Quality Board
Department of Environmental Protection
P.O.Box 8465
Harrisburg, PA 17105

Re: New Proposal for Water Quality Regs

Dear EQB Board Members,

I am very disappointed to be writing to the EQB on yet again on another water quality issue. The proposed changes to PA's Water Quality Regulations are *very much weaker* than the current federal (EPA) requirements. For example:

- The proposal makes it easier to exclude springs, tributaries, and wetlands as belonging to an Exceptional Value (EV) or High quality (HQ) watershed.
- Loopholes exist that make it easier to allow stream discharges into EV streams.
- EV and HQ watersheds are no longer considered "protected water", so it will be easier for the DEP to downgrade the existing status of a watershed.

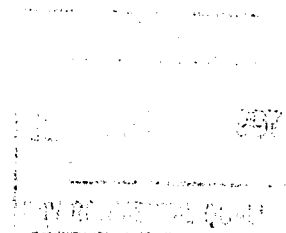
I am a member of both Valley Forge Trout Unlimited and West Chester Fish Game & Wildlife and the memberships of both of these organizations are very concerned with these proposed regulations. I don't understand why the DEP continues to do everything in it's power to weaken PA's water quality standards.

I hope the board agrees with my understanding of the proposal and *rejects the regulations in their current form!*

Sincerely,



Tom Prusak



W.E. "Pete" Goodman, III
2194 Valley Hill Road
Malvern, PA 19355
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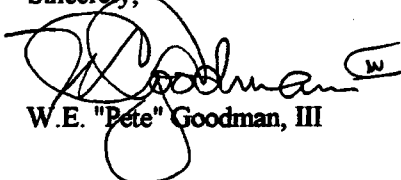
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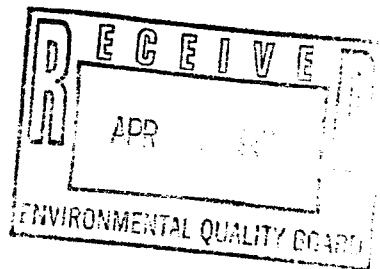
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A. Joseph Armstrong
450 Lucky Hill Rd.
West Chester, Pa., 19382

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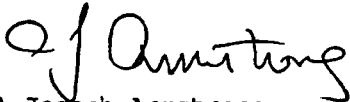
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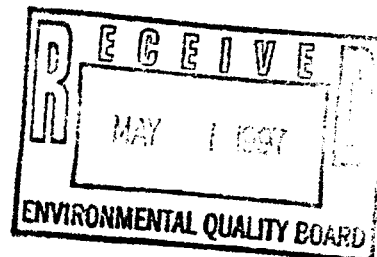
I am astonished that once more the DEP is trying to weaken water quality protection. The proposed regulations considerably weaken current water quality protections, as well as not meeting federal water quality requirements. I can not imagine what is desirable about the proposed new regulations, nor do I see any chance they will survive the further lawsuit which inevitably will follow. Certainly someone involved must have some degree of decency and pride in his or her efforts, and does not want Pennsylvania yet again to be shown to be woefully inadequate to regulate its own affairs.

Please vote AGAINST the proposed regulations, and ask that the regulation writers go back to the drawing boards and come up with wording which can both accommodate the federal requirements, as well as protect our precious water resources. Protection is the DEP's last name. It is time they started to live up to their name!

Best wishes



A. Joseph Armstrong



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Dear Sirs,

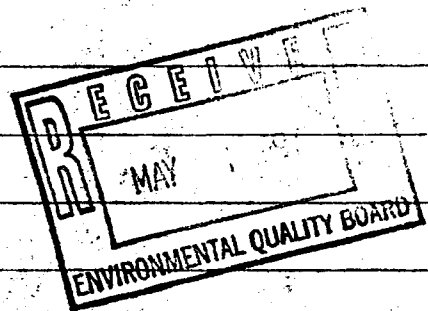
As a voter in Bucks County, Pennsylvania, I ask you reject the DEP's anti-degradation proposal. Please adopt better standards of the EPA.

Cynthia Mench

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29 Long Lane
Malvern, PA 19355

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Environmental Quality Board (EQB)
Department of Environmental Protection (DEP)
PO Box 8465
Harrisburg, PA 17105

Dear Members of the Environmental Quality Board:

I am writing as a citizen and resident of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and as a productive member of the private sector within this Commonwealth, to ask that you please reject the DEP's current anti-degradation proposal.

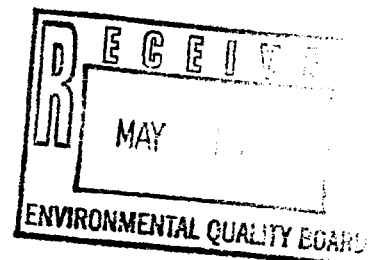
The approval of any proposal which jeopardizes the resources of our great Commonwealth can only be short-sighted. I urge you to lead with policy that is designed to protect and sustain these resources. By doing so, you will help to ensure that we maintain safe and high quality standards regarding our waterways, both for the present citizens of our Commonwealth, and for the generations to come.

Very truly yours,



Joseph A. Hawke

cc: Raji Malik, Clean Water Action



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Dear Sirs:

We need standards that protect our waterways from any more degradation.

We want you to REJECT the DEP's current anti-degradation proposal.

Adopt simpler, better standards of the EPA.

Rudolph + Betsy
Marolt

P.S. Please send us a reply.

Thank you

Marolt
230 Dennis St.
Elizabeth, PA 15037

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Po Box 8405

Hansburg Pa 17105

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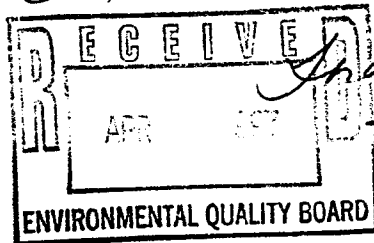
To whom it may concern:

The purpose of this letter is to state our discontent regarding the possibility of DEP acquiring new regulations; lowering water quality standards.

We need standards that protect our waterways from any further degradation.

Reject the DEP's current anti-degradation proposal.

Please reply as we want to be updated on this most crucial issue.



Thank you

Todd and Rebecca Besch
214 N ANBLER STREET
QUAKERTOWN PA 18951

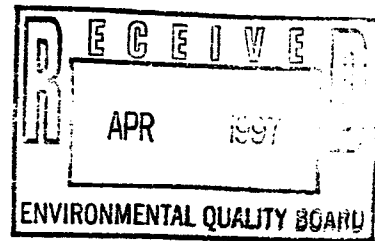
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Please reply

Beverly Vest
240 South Hawthorne Ave
Langhorne Pa



CECILIA CHUN
1027 VALLEY FORGE ROAD
UNIT 427
DEVON, PA 19333

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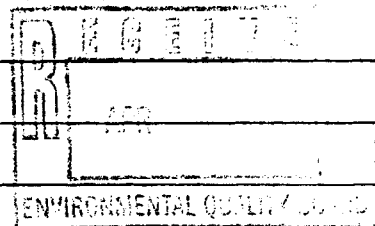
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Please protect our waterways from any more
degradation.

Please reject the DEP's current anti-degradation
proposal!

Your reply would be appreciated.

Your concerned citizen,
Cecilia Chun



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Gentlemen:

Kindly think twice — reject the DEP's current anti-degradation proposal, and adopt the simpler (dare I say, superior) standards of the EPA.

The favor of a reply is requested.

Christine C. Bullen
1027 N. VALLEY FORGE RD., #6
DEVON, PA 19333-1150

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Sincerely,

Rhianwen Lewis-Holtz
34 Miller Ave.
Berwyn PA 19312

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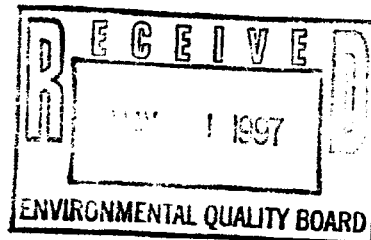
DEAR ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY BOARD (EQB),

I AM WRITING YOU THIS LETTER TO ASK YOU TO REJECT THE
DEP'S CURRENT ANTI-DEGRADATION PROPOSAL AND ADOPT THE
SIMPLER, BETTER STANDARDS OF THE EPA.

PLEASE SEND ME BACK A REPLY AND LET ME KNOW WHAT YOU
DECIDE TO DO.

SINCERELY YOURS,

CORINNE A. PIPP
2227BRIARWOOD DRIVE
MCKEESPORT, PA. 15135





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Mr. Robert E. Nyce, Executive Director
Independent Regulatory Review Commission
14th Floor, Harristown #2
333 Market Street
Harrisburg, PA 17120

RE: Proposed Rulemaking - Water Quality Amendments - Antidegradation (#7-310)

Dear Mr. Nyce:

The Environmental Quality Board has received comments regarding the above referenced proposed rulemaking from the following:

1. Ms. Margaret McReynolds
2. Mr. Joseph S. Sutton III
3. Ms. Cynthia Margerum
4. Mr. and Mrs. Albert McCrae
5. Mr. William C. Hurst, Jr.

These comments are enclosed for your review. Copies have also been forwarded to the Senate and House Environmental Resources and Energy Committees. Please contact me if you have any questions.

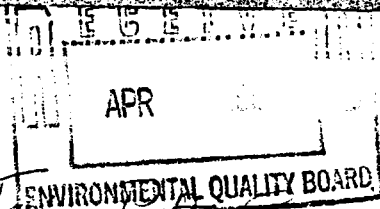
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Sharon K. Freeman
Regulatory Coordinator

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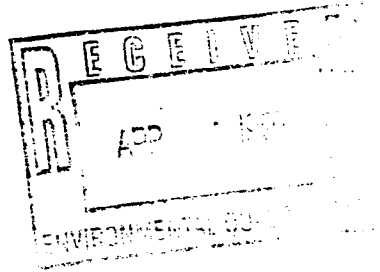
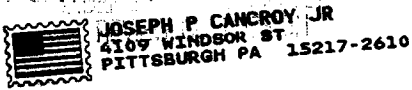
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*Please reject the DEP's current
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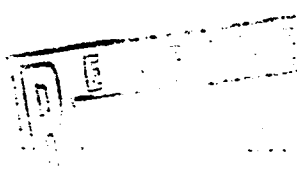


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Gentlemen:

Please vote to improve standards that
will protect our precious water ways
from any additional degradation
I Request you reject the DEP's
current anti-degradation proposal
A reply to this request is in order

Eileen Conroy



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HARRISBURG, PA 17105

I am writing to express my concern about the upcoming proposal which in my opinion will lower the quality of our water. Please vote against this proposal.

Thank you
Del Regan

REJECT THE DEP'S CURRENT
ANTI-DEGRADATION, PROPOSAL!!

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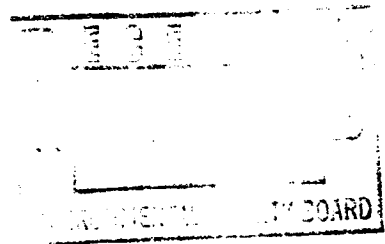
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To: Environmental Quality Board:

Please reject the DEP's current
anti-degradation proposal.
Please adopt the simpler, better
standards of the EPA.

Please reply to:

Jane Larson
1742 Valley Green
Paoli, Pa 19301



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Ms. Jeannette Berean
1837 Box Elder Road
Allentown, PA 18103-6973

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Harrisburg, PA 17105

Dear Sirs:

Please consider this letter as
a request to reject the DEP's
Current anti-degradation proposal.
We need to adopt the simpler,
better standards of the EPA.

A written reply would be
appreciated. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Jeannette Berean

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50 Coldstream Lane

Benwyn, Pa.

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Dep, P.O. Box 8465, Harrisburg, Pa. 17105

Gentlemen:

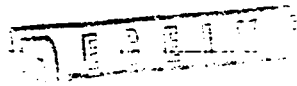
I want to adopt the simpler,
better standards of the C.F.A.

P.S. I would like a reply.

Sincerely
John F. Trachen

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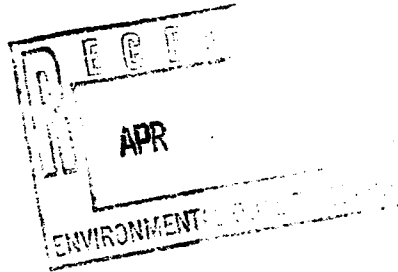
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Thank you
Jean Rogers

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Jane McCafferty
1001 Flemington St.
Pittsburgh, PA 15217

To the E.Q.B.:

I completely and passionately reject the DEP's current anti-degradation proposal. I urge you to adopt the simpler, saner standards of the EPA. I am raising four children. Please, please, don't let us go bowing to greed. Don't let us go backwards.

I would like to hear from you on this issue.

Thank you,
Jane McCafferty
Jane McCafferty

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DATE: 4/9/97

909 Emerson Street
Allentown, PA 18103
April 9, 1997

To the Environmental Quality Board -

I am writing tonight to ask you to reject the DEP's current anti-degradation proposal. I would be in favor of your adopting the simpler and better standards of the EPA.

I am including my address at the top of this letter for the favor of your reply in this matter is requested.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Judith Motto Miers

Judith Motto Miers

Let clean water be our legacy!
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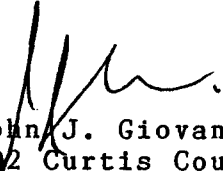
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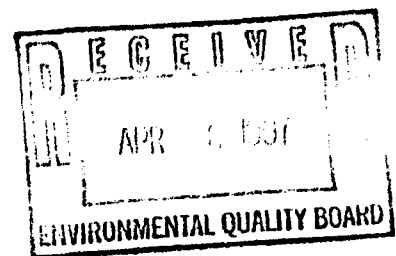
DPA/EQB
P.O. BOX 8465
Harrisburg, PA 17105

Gentlemen;

My wife and I urge you to reject the DPA's current anti-degradation proposal.

We would like to have you adopt the simpler, better standards of the EPA.


John J. Giovanni
502 Curtis Court
Wayne, PA 19087



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Berwyn, PA 19312
610.408.0678
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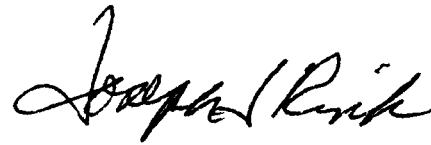
To whom it may concern:

PLEASE ADOPT THE SIMPLER, BETTER STANDARDS OF THE EPA.

PROTECT OUR WATER.

WE NEED STANDARDS THAT PROTECT OUR WATERWAYS FROM ANY MORE
DEGRADATION! DON'T GAMBLE WITH OUR WATER.

Sincerely,



Bill

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Judith S. Smith
570 Coldstream Dr.
Berwyn PA 19312

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Gentlemen:

As the mother of three young children I am respectfully asking you to reject the DEP's current anti-degradation proposal. I do not want my water quality standards lowered. We need standards that protect our waterways, thereby protecting my children. Please consider adopting the simpler, better standards of the EPA. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,



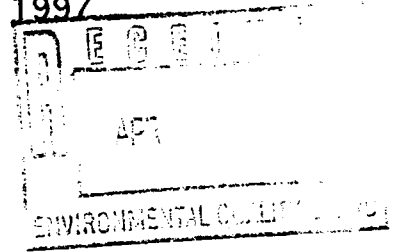
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K. Swercewski
3 Revere Road
Berwyn, PA 19312
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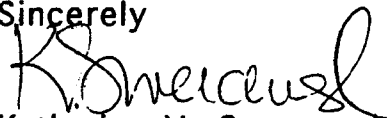
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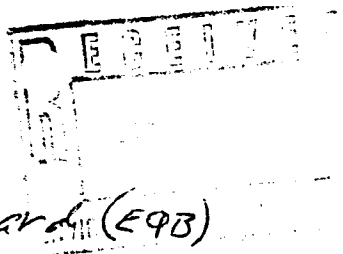


To whom it may concern:

In an writing in reference to the DEP's current anti-degradation proposal. Please reject this proposal and adopt the simpler and better standards of the EPA. Please reply as to your decision to the above address or to: kswercew@mciunix.mci.k12.pa.us. Thank you for you time.

Sincerely


Katherine M. Swercewski



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DEP
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HARRISBURG, PA 17105

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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

In order protect our water supply
please reject the DEP's current
anti-degradation proposal and adopt the
better standards of the EPA.

Thank you for your concern.
Please reply.

Ken Choquette, Do
1729 Crownwood St.
Allentown, PA 18103

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DEP, PO Box 8465
Harrisburg, PA 17105

Dear Sir/Madam:

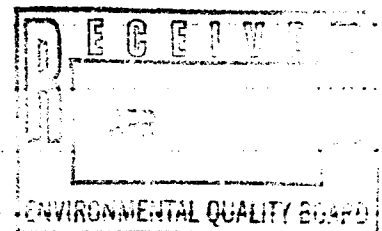
Please reject the DEP's current
anti-degradation proposal. I am an
avid fisherman and support the
standards of the EPA.

Thank you

Sincerely,

Kenneth T. Skolka

Kenneth T. Skolka
1027 Valley Forge Rd. Unit 479
Devon, PA 19333



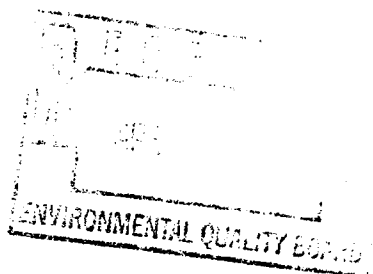
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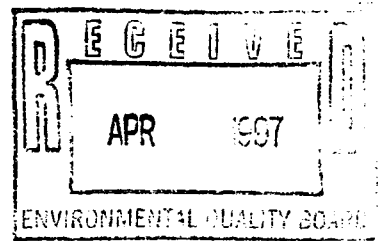
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DEP P.O. BOX 8465
Harrisburg PA. 17105

Please reject the DEP's current anti-degradation
project. Do not lower water quality standards

Sincerely,
Lois M. Richard





Lois Dean, Educational Consultant

95 Smoky Hill Rd.
94 Goldenridge Dr.

Levittown, PA 19056

(215) 945-4533

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To whom it may concern:

Please protect our waterways from
any more degradation.

REJECT The DEP's current
anti-degradation proposal.

Insure that my children
will have safe water to drink.

Sincerely,
Lois Dean

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To the

Pa. Environmental Quality Board.

I would like you to reject the
DEP's current anti-degradation
proposal.

Sincerely,

Sam L. Stein

2833 Madawaska Cir. Sw.

Allentown, Pa 18103

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To whom It May Concern:

Please reject the DEP's
current anti-degradation
proposal and adopt the
simpler, better standards of
the EPA.

Thank you for your consideration
of the above.

Respectfully,
Mary G. McNeill
934 E. Pauli St
Allentown, PA 18103

2510 Green Acres Dr.
Allentown PA 18103

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I urge you to reject the
current anti-degradation proposal
by DEP.

Our water must be protected.

Kay Anne Stennis

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Wayne, PA 19087
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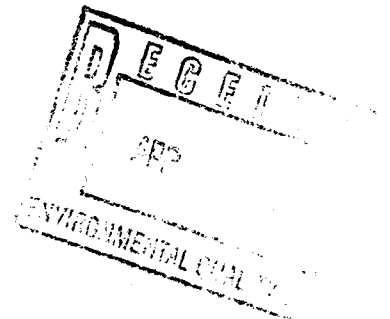
Dear DEP representative:

I am writing to petition you to reject the DEP's current anti-degradation proposal. As a taxpayer and voter, I request that you adopt the simpler, better standards of the Environmental Protection Agency. I look forward to a response from you regarding this issue.

Sincerely,



Melissa W. McGlenn



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Dear Sus & Ma,

Please reject the DEPB
Current anti-degradation proposal.

Regards,
Nancy Paustok

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2863 EDGE MONT DRIVE
ALLENTOWN, PA. 18103
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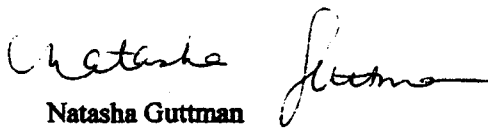
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DEP, P.O. Box 8465
Harrisburg, Pa. 17105

Dear Sirs:

I feel very strongly that you should reject the DEP's current anti-degradation proposal.

Sincerely,


Natasha Guttman

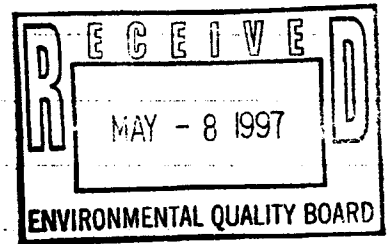
To The PA Environmental Quality Board,

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97 MAY 27 AM 9:34

I am asking you to Reject the
DEP's Current anti-degradation proposal!
My name is Ruth Bilski. my address
is 362 Richlandtown pk. Quakertown, PA.
This is the most beautiful town, help
Preserve that.

Thank you,
Ruth Bilski



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DEP
PO Box 8465
Harrisburg, PA 17105

To ALL it may concern:

Accept this cry for help. I am a young mother of two little girls and care very much for our environment and the health of our world. It is so devastating to hear what goes on in this world for money at everyones expense. PLEASE reject the DEP's current anti-degradation proposal. It is to NO ONE's best interest, except the shallow money makers.

PLEASE consider starting to STOP new regulations like this from continuing to be proposed. Please do it for our children's future.

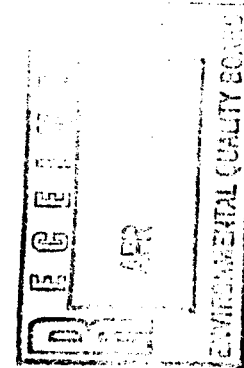
Please reply to my letter, it would be greatly appreciated.

Thank you,

Stephanie Frost

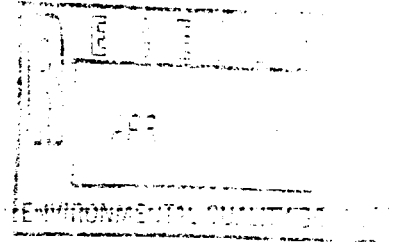
Stephanie Frost
810 Dresher Way
Wayne PA 19087
(610) 995-9121

PS Please create standards that protect our waterways!



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Solomon

FROM: [illegible]

1626 Valley Green Rd
Pott PA 19301

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TO: Environmental Quality Board
DEP PO Box 8465
Harrisburg PA 17105

RE: EOB

Please reject the DEP's current
anti-degradation proposal. I would
like a reply please to check the
position of the proposal.

Thank you.
Rose Solomon

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Ronald & Susan Koder
306 Richlandtown Pike
Quakertown, PA 18951

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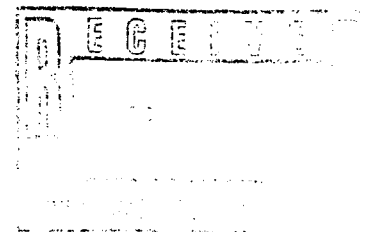
Dear Environmental Quality Board,

Thanks to the Clean Water Action Organization, we were informed of some pending legislation very detrimental to our natural waterways. There have been inroads in protecting these waters, but evidently this is not continuing. We were informed the DEP is proposing new regulations that would **lower** water quality standards. The proposal would **allow additional discharges** into our best streams and would eliminate many streams from qualifying for strong protection. We cannot afford to weaken the regulations protecting our waterways from further degradation, therefore if this is true, **we demand your vote to reject the DEP's current anti-degradation proposal.**

Please respond to our request and inform us of your actions.

Sincerely,

Ronald L. Koder
Susan M. Koder



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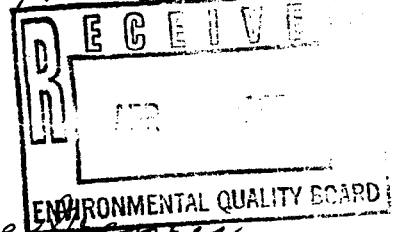
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Dept., P.O. Box 8465
Harrisburg, PA 17105

Dear Quality Board Members:

It is essential that the current
anti-separation proposal be
rejected. Why the people of this
state have to expect its leaders
to do what is right for the
people and the environment is
a mystery. Please, put your
energies to adopt the Clean
Water Act.

Sincerely,

Charlotte Selinger



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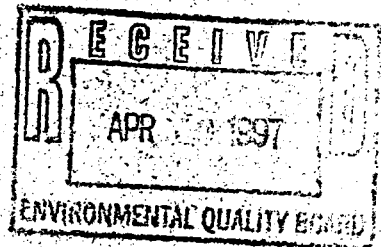
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Harrisburg, PA

Please do not contribute to further pollution
& increased health risks - reject the
DEP's current anti-degradation
proposal and adopt the simpler,
better standards of the EPA.

Appreciatively,

Pauline DiBella



Polly DiBella
1027 Valley Forge Road, #4, Devon, PA 19333
The Medical Arts Building, Suite 1523, 16th and Walnut Streets, Philadelphia, PA 19102
(610) 687-8793

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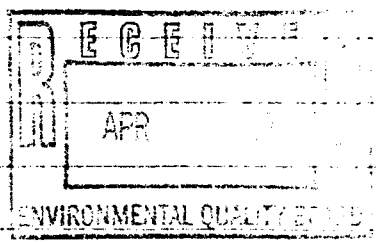
To whom it may concern,

Please reject the DEP's current anti-degradation proposal; adopt the simpler, better standards of the EPA.

Sincerely;

Nicholas Barrows
1027 Valley Forge Rd
#416A
Devon, PA 19333

Please reply



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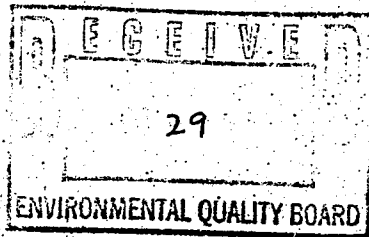
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To the Environmental Quality Board:

I request you to reject
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It is important for
that you adopt the
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of the E.P.A.



Thank-you,
Sue Harwin
677 Vassar Road
Strafford, Pa. 19087

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TO: PA Environmental Quality Board

I respectfully request, no, I plead with you to reject the DEP's current anti-degradation proposal.

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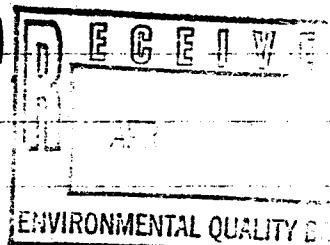
I write to you as a concerned citizen who cares very much in protecting, maintaining and, where possible, improving our environment.

* Please reply with your position and intentions, ASAP.

Thank you very much !!

Kenneth J. Saler
(Kenneth I. Saler)

1027 N. Valley Forge Rd., #414
Devon, PA 19333



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NEW PROPOSAL/WATER QUALITY RULES

GENTLEMEN;

Please consider this letter to be my PROTEST AGAINST the subject!

I AM NOT AT ALL SATISFIED with the way the DEP is trying to protect PA. waterways. The persons supposedly operating as State Representatives are still using delaying tactics which have twice resulted in litigation against the DEP, which were AT FAULT AND THE EPA HAD TO STEP IN.

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Sincerely

John P. Courtney
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632 Wallace Dr
Strafford, PA 19087
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TO: *Environmental Quality Board*
DEP PC BX 5465 Harrisburg PA 17105

Please reject the DEP's current anti-degradation proposal and adopt better standards of the Clean Water Act.

A reply would be appreciated.

Very truly yours,

Gertrude Lueders
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Environmental Justice Base

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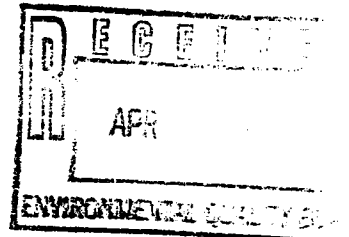
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I await your reply

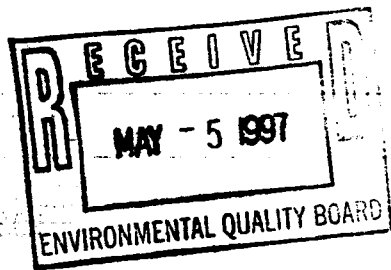
Sincerely yours,



JOHN J. SCHIRO GIE, M.D.



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Jimmy Van Dongen
628 Wallace Drive.
Wayne, PA 19087

Wednesday April 23, 1997

EQB/DEP
P.O. Box 8465
Harrisburg, PA 17105

Dear PA Environmental Quality Board;

Please reject the DEP's current anti-degradation proposal; adopt the simpler, better standards of the CTA.

I would appreciate a reply sent to the above address.

Thank-you!

Regards,

Jimmy Van Dongen

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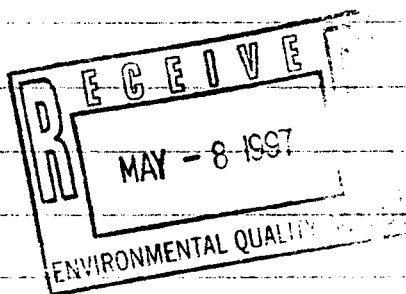
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To Environment Quality Board,

Reject the DEP's current anti-degradation proposal.



Mrs. Lisa L. Harris

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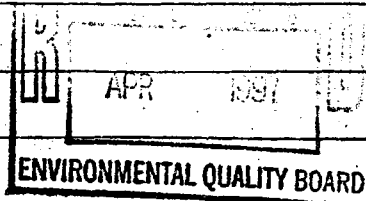
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proposal.

Thank you.

Please let me know your
decision by replying to this
request.

Sincerely,

Helin Lawler



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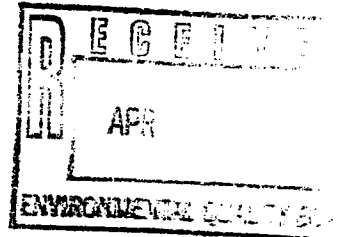
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I await your reply

Sincerely yours,



JOHN J. SCHIRO GIE, M.D.



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Environmental Quality Board

D. E. P.

P.O. Box 8465

Harrisburg, Pa. 17105

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TO: PA Environmental Quality Board

I respectfully request, no, I plead with you to reject the DEP's current anti-degradation proposal.

Please adopt the simpler, better standards of the EPA.

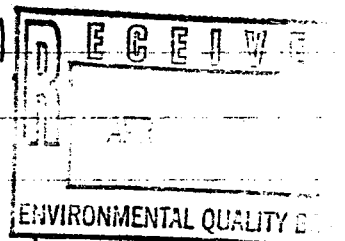
I write to you as a concerned citizen who cares very much in protecting, maintaining and, where possible, improving our environment.

* Please reply with your position and intentions, ASAP.

Thank you very much !!

Kenneth J. Saler
(Kenneth J. Saler)

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Devon, PA 19333



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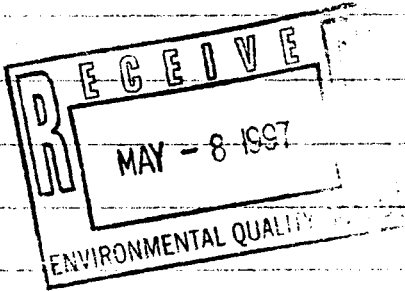
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To Environment Quality Board,

Reject the DEP's current anti-degradation proposal.



Mrs. Lisa L. Harris

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DEP, PO Box 8465
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Please reject the DEP's current
anti-degradation proposal.

Thank you.



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642 WALLACE DRIVE
WAYNE, PA 19087

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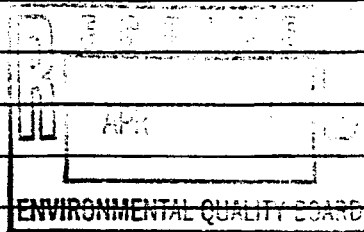
Please REJECT the
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And adopt the simpler
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Thankyou.

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Dear Gentlemen,

Please reject the Dey's
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We need standards that
protect our waterways
from any more degradation

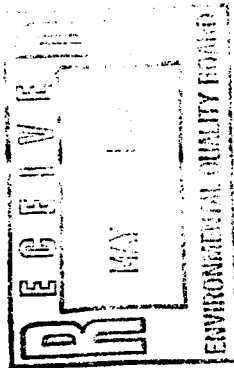
Please keep our water
clean

Thank you

Veronica Fredrick
808 Everglade Dr.

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1630 Thomas Rd
Wayne PA. 19087
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Environmental Quality Board

To Whom it May Concern,

Please reject the DEP's
Current Anti-degradation proposal.

I await your reply

Respectfully,
Dagmar O'Hopfer

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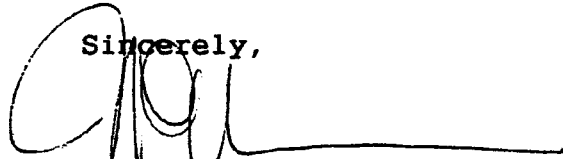
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DEP
PO Box 8465
Harrisburg, PA 17105

To Whom It May Concern:

We am very concerned over the proposed DEP new regulations which would lower water quality standards. My husband and I reject the DEP's current anti-degradation proposal and ask that you adopt simpler and better standards of the EPA.

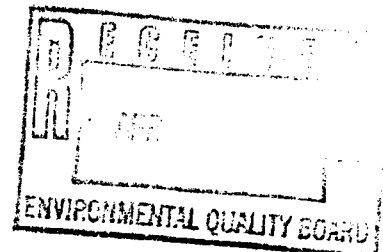
We would appreciate a reply to let us know how you are proceeding. Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

Sincerely,



Margaret E. Hanna

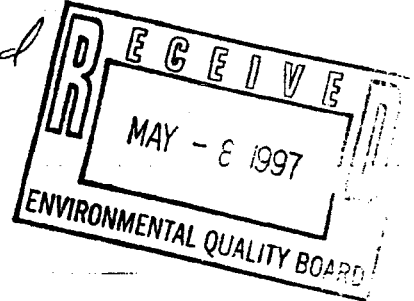
cc: Mike McCabe, EPA Regional Administrator
Senator David Heckler
Representative Paul Clymer



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Environmental Quality Board
DEP
P.O. Box 8465
HARRISBURG PA
To All Board Personnel,



I am writing today to strongly
urge you to reject DEP's current
antidegradation proposal.

Please reply to me as to your
decision and vote. My name and

address is: Sandra A. Barrow
704 Park Ave.
Quakertown, PA
18951-1542

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Sandra A. Barrow

Dr. and Mrs. Gerald L. Lohse
690 Wallace Drive
Wayne, Pennsylvania 19087

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Dear Sir or Madam:

Please **drop** your current anti-degradation proposal, and **adopt** instead the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) standards for our clean water.

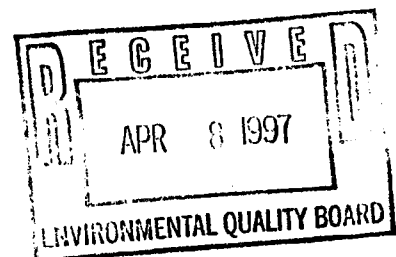
I am a strong supporter of environmental issues, and do not mind paying higher taxes or higher prices on products and services to ensure that my family and I can enjoy clean, safe drinking water and healthy, clean rivers for our recreation. Please use your power to protect the clean water that all our families need.

Thank you for your attention to my letter.

Sincerely,



Lynneth J. Lohse



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Dear Environmental Quality Board:

Please reject the DEP's current anti-degradation proposal. Please adopt the simpler, better standards of the EPA.

A Concerned Citizen,

Louie Clare

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CAROLE A MCCLAIN
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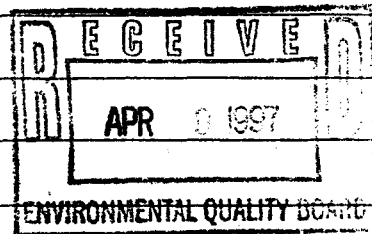
Dear Members:

Please reject the DEP's current
anti-degradation Proposal

I would appreciate a reply

Thank you

Carole A McClain



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Edward B. Penry
202 Jacqueline Drive
West Chester, PA 19382-7140
(610) 692-6382

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The Environmental Quality Board
PO Box 8465
Harrisburg, PA 17105

Dear Environmental Quality Control Board:

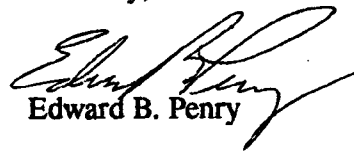
It is my understanding that the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP), in its "efforts" to respond to the US Environmental Protection Agency's requirement that Pennsylvania bring its clean water standards up to environmentally defensible standards and established Federal regulations, is actually proposing standards that are lower than those presently in existence. They do not meet Federal and anti-degradation standards. Pennsylvania cannot take a giant step backwards in this regard. It must minimally meet the Federal and anti-degradation standards and should enact regulations that afford even a greater protection to the Commonwealth's waters.

It is also my understanding that under the proposed regulations, present High Quality (HQ) and Exceptional Value (EV) waters can be (please read will be) degraded and that there is no inclusion of wetlands protection with anti-degradation.

The proposed regulations must be rejected in their present form and returned to DEP with the note that they must be revised and improved to address the items that are damaging to the Commonwealth's environment.

Thank you very much for your kind attention to this letter and I look forward to learning of the Board's decision in this matter.

Sincerely,


Edward B. Penry

cc: The Honorable Joseph R. Pitts
Senator Robert J Thompson
Representative Robert Flick

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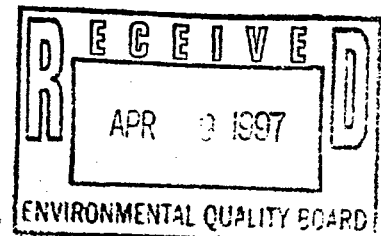
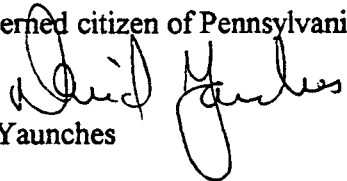
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Reject the DEP's anti-degradation proposal and adopt the EPA standards for water. Pennsylvania has many waterways to be proud of that need greater protection from pollutants and discharges. I strongly request that the EQB resist lowering the water quality standards in our Commonwealth.

Please respond to this letter to ensure your commitment to saving our waterways.

A concerned citizen of Pennsylvania,

David Yaunches



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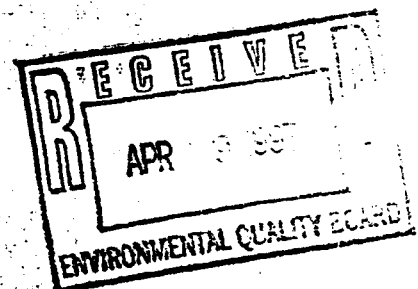
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I would appreciate an response to this letter to ensure your commitment to saving our waterways.

A concerned citizen of Pennsylvania,

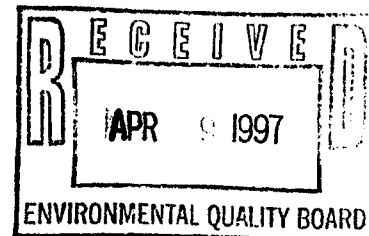
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Date 4/24/97

Edward R. Brezina
Bureau of Watershed Conservation
P.O. Box 8555
Harrisburg, PA 171055-8555

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RE: Proposed Antidegradation Regulations

Dear Mr. Brezina:

I am completely opposed to your gutting everything that is good about the current antidegradation regulations and replacing them with weaker laws that will not protect our streams. These new regs will not protect existing uses, will make it harder for streams to get protection as high quality and exceptional value streams, and worst of all, will allow the redesignation of existing streams to lower categories that offer less protection.

The few good elements of your proposed scheme cannot be separated from the overall bad language. I would suggest, therefore, that you withdraw the entire package and rewrite it so that it protects the environment. In the alternative, keep the regulations now in place.

In addition, these proposed regulations do not meet minimum federal requirements, and you know that they do not. You were hired to protect the environment, so please do your job and stop wasting taxpayer money by refusing to comply with the law.

Sincerely,

Name: *David C. Brewer*
Address: *6974 Upper York Road*
New Hope, PA. 18938

cc: Michael McCabe,
EPA Regional Administrator
841 Chestnut Building
Philadelphia, PA 19107

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Mr. Robert E. Nyce, Executive Director
Independent Regulatory Review Commission
14th Floor, Harristown #2
333 Market Street
Harrisburg, PA 17120

RE: Proposed Rulemaking - Water Quality Amendments - Antidegradation (#7-310)

Dear Mr. Nyce:

The Environmental Quality Board has received comments regarding the above referenced proposed rulemaking from the following:

1. Ms. Courtney E. Passin
2. Ms. Donna Jones
3. Mr. Mark McCullagh
4. Mr. Douglas Kemp
5. Ms. Nicole L. Palgutt
6. Mr. Thomas M. D. Keith
7. Ms. Susan R. Buckley
8. Marion McClements
9. Mrs. Joan Ziegenfus
10. Ms. Ann Heim
11. Miss Evelyn Menier
12. Ms. Greta Krause
13. Mr. John A. George
14. Ms. Marilyn K. Cartwright
15. Lynn Ernest
16. Ms. Janet M. Beatty
17. Ms. Linda Sills Fisher
18. Ms. Mary Stromquist

These comments are enclosed for your review. Copies have also been forwarded to the Senate and House Environmental Resources and Energy Committees. Please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Sharon K. Freeman
Regulatory Coordinator

Enclosure

30 South. Jge Drive
Kennett Square, PA 19348
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Gentlemen:

I write to protest the implementation or acceptance of your proposal on new water quality rules. I believe you do the citizens of Pennsylvania and our many visitors a great disservice when you put forth proposals that lead to the degradation of State waters. I am a senior citizen who lives in Pennsylvania, not because I have to but, because I want to. I am an ardent trout fisherman and it pains me to see the degradation of a great natural resource which has made the Commonwealth so attractive to residents and visitors in the past.

Your proposal is deficient:

High Quality and Exceptional Value waters need to be protected not degraded.

Considerable weight needs to be given to waters that are contiguous to or contained on public lands, State and Federal, in the selection process.

Discharges into EV waters should simply be prohibited not regulated.

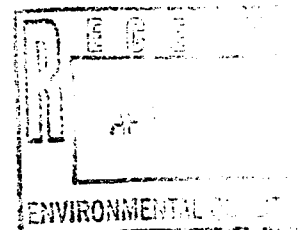
Wetlands are important in protecting our waters from degradation. This needs to be recognized.

Waters that have not yet been assessed should be protected not thrown open to degradation.

Your proposal for new regulations should be rejected. Please convey this to the members of your Board.

Sincerely,

Clifford M. Sayre
Clifford M. Sayre





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14th Floor, Harrisstown #2
333 Market Street
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RE: Proposed Rulemaking - Water Quality Amendments - Antidegradation (#7-310)

Dear Mr. Nyce:

The Environmental Quality Board has received comments regarding the above referenced proposed rulemaking from the following:

1. Mr. Robert J. Eke, Robert J. Eke and Associates
2. Ms. Martha M. Latshaw
3. Ms. Marjorie Franek
4. Yasbeene Y. Currie
5. Ms. Sandi Bevan
6. Mr. James B. Garrison
7. Mr. Jason A. Binnick
8. Mr. Keith Rice and Ms. Maureen M. Rice
9. Mr. William O. Beatty
10. William W. Clements, M.D. and Ms. Nancy M. Clements
11. Ms. Holly Hohenschuh
12. Ms. Bridget Miller
13. Mr. Jack Cline and Ms. Amy Cline
14. Mrs. Nancy C. Mather
15. Mr. and Mrs. John D. Hutcheson
16. Ms. Linda M. Carr
17. Ms. Karen McNamara
18. Ms. Karen Bataka

These comments are enclosed for your review. Copies have also been forwarded to the Senate and House Environmental Resources and Energy Committees. Please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Sharon K. Freeman".

Sharon K. Freeman
Regulatory Coordinator

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Chester R. Salisbury
57 Cobblestone Dr.
Paoli, Pa. 19301
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Gentlemen,

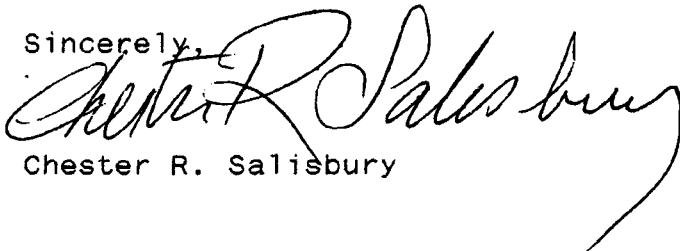
I trust that you gentlemen are really interested in our having a good quality water. It is essential that our drinking and recreation water sources be protected. Therefore, do not lower standards. I suggest you adopt the EPA standards or more rigorous ones.

It is getting ridiculous. I have started using bottled water and will probably end up putting in my own home treatment system.

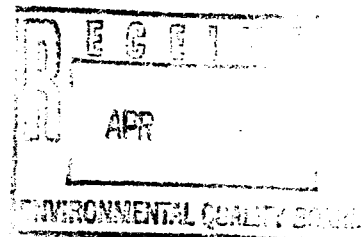
I would like to hear from you folks. Perhaps you can give me a picture of where we are and what positive steps you are taking to assure the water quality will be bettered in the future.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Sincerely,



Chester R. Salisbury



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GENE C SALAY
806 LAWRENCE ST
BETHLEHEM, PA 18015-3016

April 24, 1997

To Whom It Concerns:

The Clean Water Act protects our waterways from further degradation. DEP is proposing regulations that would lower water quality standards. I urge you to reconsider your anti-degradation proposal for the good and welfare of all concerned.

Sincerely,



Environmental Quality Board
DEP
P. O. Box 8465
Harrisburg, PA.

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Greg J. Weiss
1014 Carolyn Dr.
West Chester, PA 19382

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April 24, 1997

RE : New Proposal / Water Quality Rules

Dear Sirs:

I am writing this letter to voice my concerns and protest against the New Water Quality Rules Proposal.

As a local sportsman and resident of Pennsylvania for over 10 years , I have spent many days on our streams. During this period of time I have seen the effects of excess discharges and how they have destroyed the condition of our streams. Thus any proposal which would allow discharges and degradation of any kind into what few streams we have left in this state that are of exceptional value or high quality status is unacceptable.

HQ and EV must remain as protected water uses , so that our best streams will not be downgraded.

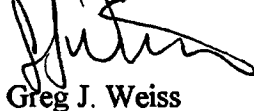
Other problems with the new proposal are as follows :

- Contrary to Federal regulations no weight is given to the fact that a stream is on public lands in the proposed selection process of HQ and EV classification of streams .
- There is no integration of wetlands protection with antidegradation.

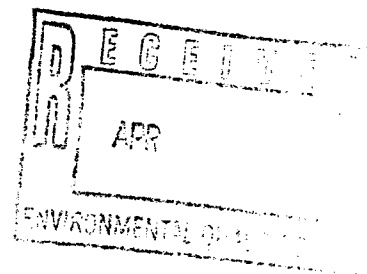
Much revision of this proposal is needed in order for it to not only to meet federal regulations but to be satisfactory for the citizens of Pennsylvania .

Please convey my feelings to the members of the board.
Thank You.

Sincerely



Greg J. Weiss



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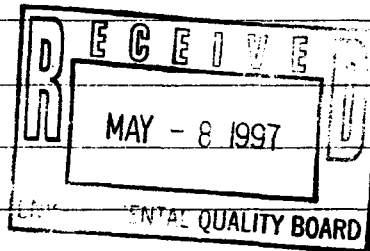
Please reject the DEP's current
anti-degradation proposal.

Sincerely,

Shirley J. Oleswone

1422 Lehigh Ave

Allentown, Pa. 18103



Samuel G. Coccia Jr.
1039 Golfview Dr.
McKeesport, Pa 15135

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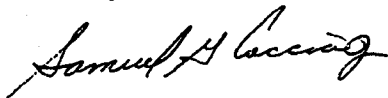
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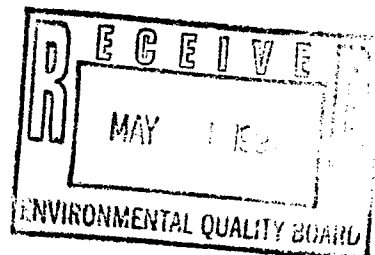
To Whom It May Concern,

In the world we live today there are many things to worry about, my drinking water should not be one of those. You should reject the DEP's current anti-degradation proposal, and make the stingier. We need water to live, so why shouldn't it be the best it possibly can. By letting companies pollute our rivers, lakes, and streams the water we drink is going down hill. So please I urge you and your counterparts to fight this proposal and let the next generation have the best water possible.

Sincerely,



Samuel G. Coccia Jr.



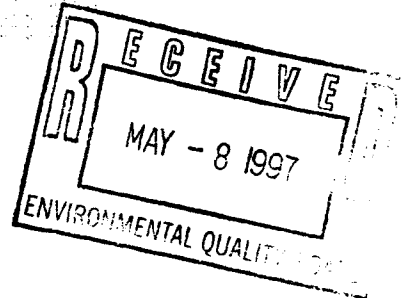
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Nadine Y. Smith
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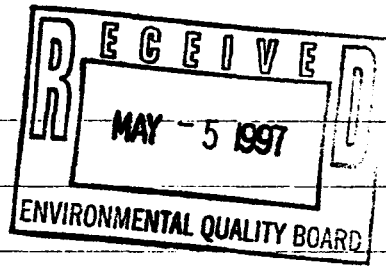
To whom it may concern,

Please reject the DEP's current anti-degradation proposal.

Thank You,

Nadine Y. Smith

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TO THE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY BOARD:

I AM WRITING TO YOU TO SAY
THAT I SUPPORT THE CLEAN WATER ACT.
PLEASE REJECT THE DEP'S CURRENT
ANTI-DEGRADATION PROPOSAL THAT WOULD
ALLOW ADDITIONAL DISCHARGES INTO OUR
BEST STREAMS AND WOULD ELIMINATE MANY
STREAMS FROM QUALIFYING FOR STRONG
PROTECTION.

THANK YOU.
M. SAGO
132 ALLEGHENY AVE
ELIZABETH, PA 15037