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I would not live within fifty miles of a well that I knew was fractured with toxic chemicals used in the process of extracting natural gas. My reasons are as follows. First of all, when inspectors are not required to be onsite to double check the pressure test readings on all the well casings and certify their integrity, this state is heading for big water problems. Unless someone is trying to hide something, this detail should be corrected and be made public if the well is on game or forest lands before the well is fracked. I have a real problem with the chemicals used, not being told to PA. land owners and also not being told to hunters and hikers if the well is on game or forest land. What happens if my hiking water purification bottle is useless against these highly toxic chemicals. How will the hospital know how to treat me if I become sick? Land owners, hunters and hikers are behind the eight ball, because no one knows what is in the water. The chemicals used on game and forest lands should be posted on trees and gates on all state lands unless again, someone does not want you to know. The state of PA. has not made clear what the federal EPA has said about well contamination of this highly toxic extraction process. I read 11 out of 39 wells were contaminated after this process, in the state of Wyoming, is this true? I do not understand why our politicians are not talking about this to the public. This industry does not say how water clean up takes place, look at the Dunkard creek spill thirty four miles of stream wiped out, as of 11/29/09, I have not seen any statements from PA. DEP on how the people are making out with this issue. Where are all of the documents of

what was found and can the stream be cleaned up or is it ruined for life? I do not think anyone knows how treat spills , not DEP or the gas industry. I have not seen any documentation from anyone to prove me wrong on this statement. Until I see total transparency of all the chemicals used and the lack of over sight problem fixed , I would have to say that the state of PA. is heading for an environmental disaster of the likes, which no one has ever seen before. Look at the streams still not cleaned up from coal mining. Look what happened to wall street with no oversight , they thought they could self regulate themselves, which is exactly what the gas industry wants, that way, no one will ever know what is in the water.

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