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We need SAFE, CLEAN water. As the mother of two children, I worry every day about the health risks associated with our public water system.

Please do not weaken regulations with regard to the Marcellus Shale drilling projects. The DEP should stop giving out permits for drilling until wastewater rules are in place, and the public is assured drillers will follow the rules.

Bromides, arsenic, benzene, radium, magnesium... I don't want these in the water we use to drink and bathe!

DEP needs to ensure that all aspects of the generation of Marcellus wastewater are regulated. There should be a "Record of Responsibility", a paper trail of the quantity of frackwater being transported and signed receipts for each delivery. In addition, there should be strict oversight over the reuse of Marcellus wastewater.

Please, help keep our children safe and healthy!

Sincerely,
Donna L. Birdsell
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