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DEP has not proposed standards for a number of contaminants that are frequently found in Marcellus wastewater. DEP should add discharge standards for bromides, arsenic, benzene, radium, magnesium and Volatile Organic Compounds. Many of these contaminants are toxic to humans and aquatic life and are very difficult for drinking water systems to remove.

I would like to be assured that brine from fracking, reported to contain levels of radiation not be used for dust control on our dirt roads. I am a runner. I run on dirt Pennsylvania back roads and it has always been a little bit of heaven with the exception of occasionally meeting a vehicle and getting dusted. I thought it an inconvenience and covered my mouth and nose with my shirt. Radium in the dust makes it a carcinogen.

While I am running for my health I am slowly killing myself. Give me a break. These heartless corporations can still make mega bucks without making us sick. They need reined in. It would go against their bottom line to regulate themselves. Regulate them. Do the job that my taxes pay you for or go get a direct paycheck from the gas and oil industry. Resign from government, and let me vote for someone who cares about the world we all live in.

There is no safe level of

radiation.