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Dear Board:

I would like to support DEP's proposed changes to the Wastewater Treatment Requirements and the Chapter 95 standards it is trying to impose. Growing up in Southern California, a place which borrows its water from the Colorado River, I know all too well the importance of water in our lives, especially clean water. While that state is highly regulated, and in some cases, for good reason, I don't see similar regulations in place here, especially in light of the massive gas drilling that is sweeping our state. This greatly concerns me.

If our water is polluted from wastewater from the Marcellus gas drilling, we will suffer damages similar in effect to Love Canal. When New York State Health Department Commissioner David Axelrod stated that Love Canal would long be remembered as a "national symbol of a failure to exercise a sense of concern for future generations", he was speaking with truth and a vision of hope for the future. Let's not have another Love Canal to slap us in the face from our failure to see this problem when we not only have the intelligence but also that experience to prevent it.

Sincerely, *Beth Pierce*

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