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Dear Pennsylvania Environmental Quality Board,

As the Department of Environmental Protection considers new wastewater regulations, I urge you to include the following points:

- * Set health-based standards for contaminants including arsenic, benzene, radium and magnesium that may be found in wastewater gas drilling.
- * Approve and implement these standards as soon as possible in order to protect public health and our environment.
- * Stop all new gas drilling operations until these new health-based standards are set and require all sewage treatment plants to follow these proposed standards immediately.
- * Require drilling companies to track and report all of their pollution from drilling sites to treatment plants, and establish regulations to oversee the reuse of gas drilling wastewater.

The public has a right to know about pollution being released into our environment or shipped into our communities.

On a personal note, we have been looking forward to retiring in the Pine Creek Valley in North Central PA, but have become incredibly dismayed, concerned, even outraged about the unchecked, unregulated exploitation of natural gas resources and other natural resources to support the gas drilling industry owned and operated by out-of-State corporations in PA. We strongly urge you to develop and ENFORCE the strongest possible requirements to protect our precious water resources. Once they are gone or ruined, it won't matter how great the economy, because no one will be able to live here. Thank you.

Sincerely,