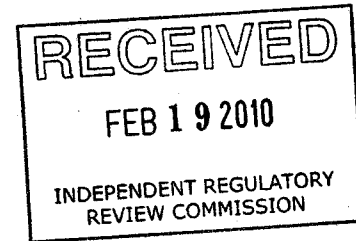


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Dear Pennsylvania Environmental Quality Board,

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

- * If drilling for gas is going to be allowed - please impose a higher bond required to be posted for environmental affects AND grab more revenue for the state by charging a severance tax.
- * 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 the chemicals that are being added by the companies to drill and that come naturally from the surrounding rock that is being drilled and in either case can find its way into water (ground, aquifer or surface) 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.

Sincerely,