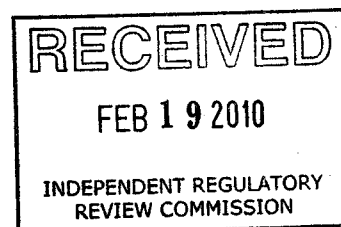


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Dear Pennsylvania Environmental Quality Board,

I understand the Department of Environmental Protection is considering new wastewater regulations. Safeguarding public health is critical. Gas drillers must not be allowed to pollute drinking water. Please give careful attention to the following points, and include them in the regulations:

- * 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.

Sincerely,