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Comments Re: 25 PA. CODE CH. 95-Wastewater Treatment Requirements

Dear Environmental Quality Board,

As a Pennsylvania resident, I would like to make the following comments on the new proposed wastewater rules (Chapter 95):

It is imperative that you protect our drinking water. Regulations must be in place and enforced that will keep drinking water safe. Heavy metals, salts, chemicals should not be allowed in our water. All waste water from any Marcellus Shale drilling must be strictly regulated to ensure safe water.

The PA Department of Environmental Protection must not let drillers dump toxic waste water. It took many, many years for research to prove that lead at any level is dangerous. So it is imperative that regulations immediately be enforced to protect streams, rivers, and all drinking water. No toxics should be dumped into our waters. Strict standards must be placed on any discharges by the drilling.

DEP should stop giving out more drilling permits until wastewater rules are in place. DEP should also stop allowing existing or proposed wastewater plants to pollute our rivers unless they follow these new rules.

DEP must make sure that wastewater from drilling areas is tracked and tested to ensure that no toxics are discharged.

Sincerely,

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