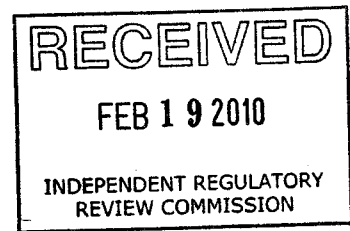


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Dear Pennsylvania Environmental Quality Board,

I am a private homeowner who is lucky enough to have safe drinking water from a well on my property. I say lucky because water is essential to human health and is a resource that is becoming polluted and wasted all over the US and the world. It is a very valuable resource and it is foolish to ignore its value by putting a short term gain from gas profits for someone else ahead of my rights as a citizen to have safe clean water. If the drinking water of an area is compromised then more funds will have to be spent to provide a source of water for people that is far more costly because of bringing it in to the area when safe ground water could have been protected.

Do not make the mistake of being blinded by short term gain. Protect my right to safe clean water.

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.

Sincerely,