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FW: Letter from James T. Perry regarding Changes to Waste Water Freatment Requirement

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Dear Environmental Quality Advisory Board Members:

Pursuant to Mr. Perry's instruction, attached please find a letter from him regarding the proposed changes to the Waste Water Treatment Requirements. The attachment is formatted in Adobe Acrobat.

Thank you for your consideration in the above matter.

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RE: Changes to Waste Water Treatment Requirement Bill

Dear Environmental Quality Board Members:

While I reside in Delaware, I own two farms in Lycoming County, Pennsylvania. I write to encourage you to pass the proposed rule-making changes to 25 Code Chapter 95, Waste Water Treatment Requirements as published in the PA Bulletin on November 7, 2009.

While I am well aware of the benefits that natural gas will have to Lycoming County and the State, I think it is clear that this opportunity can only be positive if it can be done in an environmentally safe manner.

The issue of TDS control is essential to the preservation of our rivers and streams and the entire water shed for that matter. There are already signs of problems with TDS levels in the Monongahela River and the West Branch of the Susquehanna River. There are already indications that the Monongahela River and West Branch of the Susquehanna River are severely limited in their capacity to assimilate additional loads of TDS and sulfates. While this problem is primarily due to long-abandoned coal mines, any increase in TDS and sulfate exposure would reverse the progress made by the Department of Environmental Protection to clean up the rivers.

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While I appreciate the valuable opportunity that natural gas can provide the State and the Country, it can only be viewed positively if it can be done without unreasonable harm to the environment. One of the advantages of natural gas is that it has a smaller carbon footprint than other sources of energy such as oil or coal. It would indeed be ironic if the exploration and production of this resource created more harm to the environment than the more dangerous sources of energy it will replace.

I strongly urge you to support the enactment of the proposed changes.

Very truly yours,

PERRY & SENSOR

James T. Perry

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