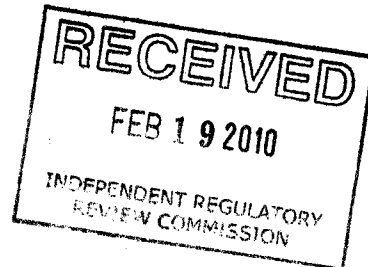


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**Subject:** Wastewater Treatment Requirements

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RE: 25 Code Chapter 95, Wastewater Treatment Requirements

February 9, 2010

Members of the Board,

I write to you as a strong supporter of the proposed new regulations limiting TDS discharges into Pennsylvania's rivers. I am a business person who has been manufacturing in Central Pennsylvania for 25 years. I have respect for the balanced approach that is necessary when considering the facilitation of businesses and their growth against damage to our natural environment. Throughout much of Pennsylvania's history ecological views have taken a back seat to the requirements of business. In recent years as we have developed a more comprehensive understanding of the value of healthy ecosystems, these views have changed and we have seen significant progress in establishing regulations to protect our environment without significantly hindering commercial interests. Many of these regulations are designed to control the nature of and the quantity of what we allow to be put into our streams and rivers. The fact that these waters have become increasingly cleaner is testament to the value of these regulations.

The advent of drilling in the Marcellus Shale, still in its incipient stages, is a concern to many who believe that we must not return to myopic view of placing business interests, as powerful as they may be, ahead of the natural environment. We must not allow the successes achieved in cleaning our streams and rivers to be reversed and we must not pass the costs of cleaning up after the gas industry to our children and grandchildren.

I urge you in the strongest possible terms to keep the proposed regulations in place.

Sincerely,

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