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As a lay person, I cannot comment on the technical aspects of the proposed regulations. Overall, however, I strongly believe that the protection of our water supply is infinitely more important than obtaining new sources of fossil fuels. Without new sources of fossil fuels, we'll simply have to learn to use what we have more efficiently. Without pure water, we will starve or die prematurely.

I don't think the question is "how safe should our oil/gas wells be?" I think the question should be, "Is the CEO of the company that does the drilling willing to drink untreated ground water from the vicinity of the well?" If he won't, that well shouldn't be drilled.

Sincerely,

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