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EP, RegComments Re: 25 Pa. Code Ch. 78

Dear Environmental Quality Board,



INDEPENDENT REGULATORY REVIEW COMMISSION

For the protection of public health, safety and the environment, I urge the Environmental Quality Board to approve new proposed well-construction regulations (25 Pa Code Ch. 78) that require gas drilling operators to build stronger and safer wells, disclose the toxic chemicals used in the gas extraction process, and require the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection to conduct more and better inspections of these wells.

I would also request stronger fencing around wastewater pits, with netting over them to keep out birds. Light deflectors would keep our skies darkened and keep wildlife form becoming disoriented; and sound buffers would help to silence the noise from drilling.

Better, stricter air quality and water quality standards are of the utmost importance. Let's start out strong and not let the gas and oil industry fool us as they have despoiled so many other places.

Thank you for all the good work you do!

Sincerely,

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