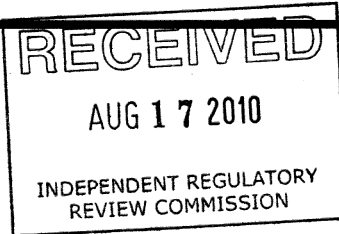


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**From:** Mary Aull [maryaull@msn.com]  
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**To:** EP, RegComments  
**Subject:** Chapter 78 Regulations



To Whom It May Concern:

I have a great favor to ask you. As you know, we here in Sullivan County and elsewhere in Pennsylvania are being inundated by gas drillers. There are 1600 gas wells planned for Sullivan County alone. The State of Pennsylvania is woefully behind in putting into place regulations that might protect us all, including those of us who live in the Philadelphia region whose drinking water might be affected.

The proposed Chapter 78 regulations, will require gas drillers to provide stronger cement casings for the drill bores in order to prevent incidents like that in Dimock, PA, where at least 14 families lost their source of drinking water because their wells had been contaminated, perhaps forever, by the drilling process. The regulations would also provide to homeowners and communities better access to essential information about water quality testing.

I am writing to encourage you to adopt strong protection to improve the safety of gas and oil wells in Pennsylvania.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely yours,

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