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Subject: Proposed Rulemaking - Environmental Protection Performance Standards at Oil and Gas Well Sites



Re: Proposed Rulemaking - Environmental Protection Performance Standards at Oil and Gas Well Sites

The Environmental Quality Board (EQB) has received the following comments regarding the above-referenced proposed rulemaking.

Commentor Information:

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Comments entered:

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No attachments were included as part of this comment.

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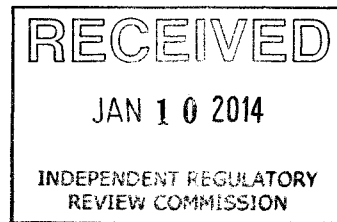


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Francine Cohen
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Thank you,

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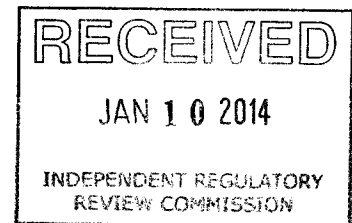


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Commentor Information:

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Comments entered:

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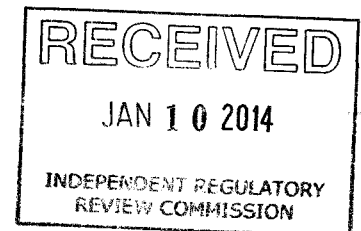


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Given the number of "capped" oil and gas wells resulting from dropping prices and companies that disappear as part of the process, it is critical that money be escrowed as part of the permitting process to provide for land restoration.

I have repeatedly tried to have baseline regional ground and surface water testing done before drilling in order to establish a reference point. To date this hasn't been done and it must be done. Also, the testing of ground and surface water for purposes of restoring it to its prior condition needs to include testing for emerging contaminants which are done by the USGS. The intent is to protect PA's current and future residents.

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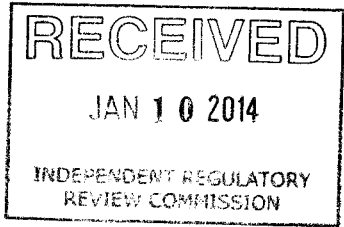


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MOST IMPORTANT: GIVEN that oil and gas industry data clearly show that well casings (both steel and concrete) are failing at a 50% rate over 30 years time, AND it is predictable that many more (if not all) will fail in a 100-year time frame, AND given that these casings must hold up IN PERPETUITY to protect the groundwater aquifers under Pennsylvania from methane contamination and even migration of chemicals from below, AND given that groundwater aquifers under one-half the landmass of PA are at risk if the shale gas industry continues for the next 50 years as planned, THEREFORE, DEP should require that casings of the type and engineering that have failed over a 30-year time frame in other oil and gas applications be PROHIBITED - AND that all casings henceforth must be of a type that will have a less than 5% probability of degrading and failing over time to contain gas and fluids and shale elements from below, AND that monitors be placed in every well that can provide evidence of such leakage over time, AND that the gas company that caused the well to be drilled, or its successors, shall pay for remediation of groundwater supplies when the wells leak methane or chemicals into the aquifers. To do anything less than this is to risk irreparable harm to the water sources of the Commonwealth and to the human, animal and plant life that depend on that water.

In addition, I recommend the following: 1.) This comment period and the scheduled hearings are inadequate. The comment period should be extended 120 days and a hearing should be held in every county where unconventional gas drilling is taking place. 2) Do away with open frac fluid pits, require closed loop systems for collecting flowback fluid at all wells; 3) Stop burying waste pits onsite; 4) Stop the spreading of brine on roads; 4) Identify existing wells before site and

well construction and drilling (not just fracking), so that the location of a new well can be changed if needed. Identified wells should be mapped on a publicly available web platform

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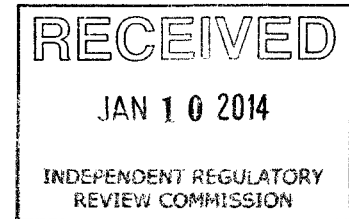


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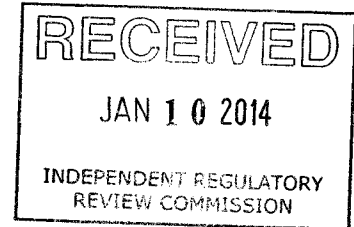


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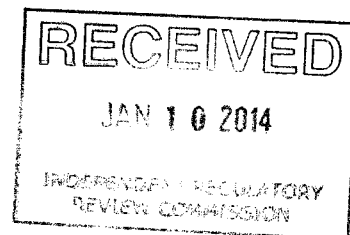


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Commentor Information:

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Comments entered:

There is nothing more essential than protecting our water, air, and other resources for healthy survival.

No attachments were included as part of this comment.

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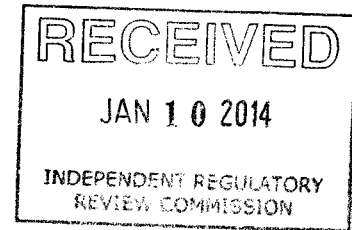


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Commentor Information:

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Comments entered:

Restore contaminated drinking water as per Safe Drinking Water Act.
Prohibit open pits.
Waste disposal must conform to fed. regs for hazardous substances.
Identify existing wells before beginning operations; make them responsible for plugging or sealing abandoned wells.

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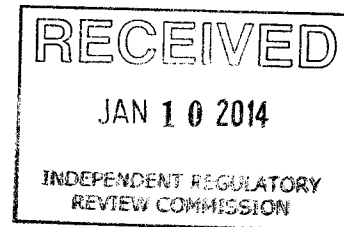


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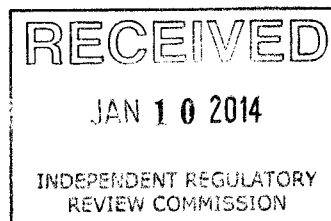


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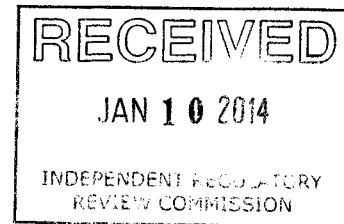


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Since the rules for oil and gas drilling were all written before fracking was invented, new rules need to be written. Fracking has proven to be a highly toxic process, and causes much air and water contamination. Fracking needs to be halted until safe methods of fracking are invented.

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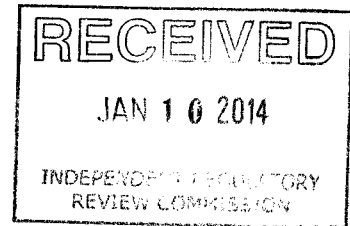


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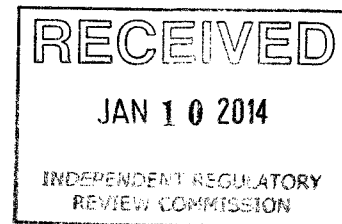


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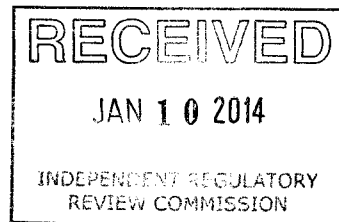


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Comments entered:

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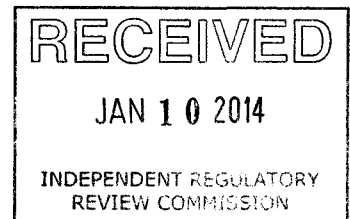


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Commentor Information:

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Comments entered:

The DEP must require drilling companies to restore contaminated water to Safe Drinking Water Act standards

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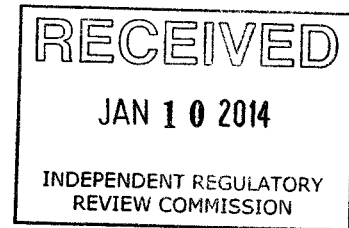


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Commentor Information:

John Bachalis
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Comments entered:

We need common sense rules to maintain the health of our land, water and air, which are the first essential to all of us.
The DEP should require drilling company operators to restore contaminated drinking water to a quality that meets Safe Drinking Water Act standards, no matter what the quality of the water prior to drilling.
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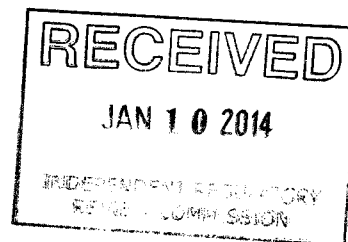


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Commentor Information:

Teri Dignazio
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Comments entered:

I just listened to a news report from West Virginia where water has been contaminated by coal related chemicals - Jan 10, 2013. In PA the DEP must require drilling company operators to restore contaminated drinking water to a quality that meets Safe Drinking Water Act standards, no matter what the quality of the water prior to drilling. Drilling company operators should be prohibited from using open pits for storage waste. Many spills, leaks, and other problems involving open pits have occurred statewide that contaminate water, soil and air. When it comes to waste disposal, drilling company operators should follow the federal regulation of hazardous substances that other industries have to follow. Drillers must identify existing wells before site and well construction and drilling (not just fracking), so that the location of a new well can be changed if needed. Drillers should then be responsible to plug and seal or otherwise appropriately address abandoned and orphaned wells according to state safety standards prior to well site construction.

This is a huge issue facing our state and I have zero interest in disrupting or disabling our water supply. Ultimately every drop counts.

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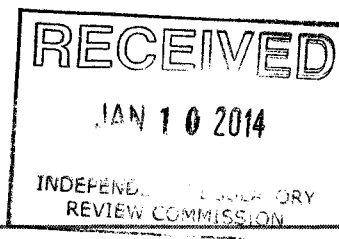


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Comments entered:

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The DEP should require drilling operators to restore contaminated drinking water to a quality level that meets Safe Drinking Act standards, regardless of the quality of the water prior to drilling.

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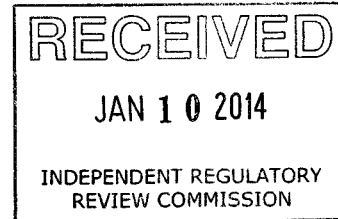


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