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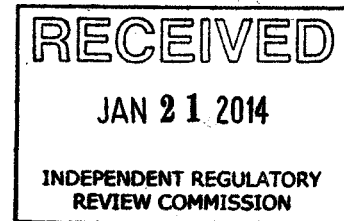


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Comments entered:

Thanks for taking public comments on the state's oil and gas regulations, known as Chapter 78 of the Pennsylvania Code. I want to make sure that the new regulations protect the air, water, and health of everyone in PA.

Here are my recommendations:

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.

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.

Thanks for taking the time to make your voice heard. This is an important opportunity to change the future of our state.

No attachments were included as part of this comment.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,
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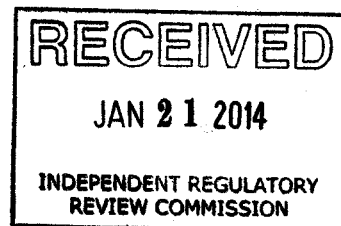


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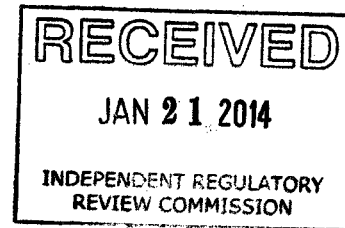


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I cannot attend this important meeting but I think it's imperative for someone to point out that Aqua America is contributing to this problem and working with the frackers when Aqua should be protecting our water (as they are always claiming they do). As a stockholder in the past I spoke at two of their stockholder meetings re the dangers of fracking and the company's moral responsibilities. The first year I got a round of applause from many stockholders. The next year the CEO tried to cut me off after three sentences but I stood my ground and finished. But no applause that year -- you could hear a pin drop. Some concerned stockholders pointed out to me that Aqua can make money at both ends: by supplying valuable clean water to the frackers, and then by "processing" it after it's terribly contaminated.

Thank you,

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