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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.

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ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY BOARD
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Dear Board Members:

My land is under lease for oil and gas development. I receive royalty and fuel to heat my home.. It has come to my attention that the DEP has proposed regulations adversely affecting the economical operation of these wells.

The modified regulations will unnecessarily increase the operating costs for conventional oil and gas wells, and will definitely not result in any significant environmental benefit.

The oil and gas industry is vital to the economy of this state, providing jobs, etc. Also being at retirement age, AND a lifetime tax payer her in PA, I am very dependant upon this income especially during these difficult economic times we find ourselves in. Besides, under the current regulations, the conventional oil and gas wells have had no significant adverse impact on our environmental resources.

I am very strongly opposed to any new, additional regulations being imposed on any well that is

already existing. It's like "changing the rules after the game is started". After plans and projections and investments were made and set into motion, all of a sudden, costs that never existed, appear, and all of the income plus additional investment is consumed in complying with rules, to the point where it will be less costly to just shut down operations. This would be a detriment to the entire state.

PLEASE VOTE NO to the current proposed new regulations in favor of the economic well-being of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Sincerely,

Hal B. Wadding

No attachments were included as part of this comment.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,
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Please see my attached letter.

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Dear Board Members:

I lease my land for oil and gas development; I receive royalty payments for production from conventional oil and gas well. It has come to my attention that the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) has proposed changes in regulations affecting the oil and gas business.

I understand that these new and modified regulations will unnecessarily increase costs for oil and gas companies, and will be particularly costly for companies operating conventional oil and gas wells. While the regulations will significantly increase costs, the regulations will not result in significant environmental benefits in the conventional oil and gas industry.

The oil and gas industry is vital as an economic engine as well as a job supplier. As a taxpayer, I rely on the money I receive from the oil and gas development on my property, especially during these difficult economic times. The increase in costs for the oil and gas industry directly affects my financial situation and will ultimately lessen my income. Ironically, under existing regulation the conventional oil and gas industry has had a minimal impact on our environmental resources. Why do the new regulations make such significant changes to the conventional oil and gas industry?

I strongly oppose these new regulations. In addition to causing severe economic harm to the oil and gas industry, they will have detrimental effects to the community as a whole. More regulations, at a time when the economy is so unstable, is reckless and will only damage our economy further. And, all of these negative consequences will result from new regulations that will bring insignificant environmental benefits.

For these reasons it is important that these new regulations not be passed in their current form. Please vote "NO" to the current regulations until they are altered to account for the economic well-being of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Sincerely,


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