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Environmental Quality Board
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Dear Board Members:

Although I am not oil or gas producer, my job is one that is dependent on the oil and gas industry. **I am writing to urge you to vote "NO" on the changes to the oil and gas regulations currently before your committee.**

Shallow oil and gas have been produced in our area for over 150 years and has had no lasting detrimental effect on our environment. Putting these people out of business by imposing costly, unnecessary new regulations on them would also jeopardize my job and hurt our local economy.

If you think it is necessary to impose new regulations on drillers and operators of deep, nonconventional wells, why weren't the new regulations written for just that purpose? Why were the shallow well drillers and producers included? Why can't they continue to operate under the current regulations, which have done an effective job?

Please vote "NO" to the proposed changes to Chapter 78 regulations so my job, and thousands of other jobs that depend on these producers of shallow oil and gas, is not lost.

Sincerely,

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