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Proposed Rulemaking - Chapter 78 Form Letter #11

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Good Afternoon,

Attached is a form letter DEP has received regarding the Proposed Chapter 78 Environmental Protection and Performance Standards at Oil and Gas Well Sites. We have labeled this one "Form Letter #11". To date, we have received 453 copies of this letter.

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Dear Board Members:

I am not an oil or gas producer but my <u>job</u> 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.