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Proposed Rulemaking 7-484 - Chapter 78 Form Letter Catalyst Energy (a)

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Good Morning,

Attached is a form letter DEP has received regarding the Proposed Rulemaking 7-484 - Chapter 78 Environmental Protection and Performance Standards at Oil and Gas Well Sites. We have labeled this one "Catalyst Energy (a)". To date, we have received 35 copies of this letter.

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To Whom It May Concern,

As an employee of Catalyst Energy, Inc. or its sister company, Iron Carey, LLC, I am providing the following comments to the proposed revisions to Chapter 78 by the PA Department of Environmental Protection. Catalyst Energy, Inc. is an operator of conventional oil & gas wells in northwest Pennsylvania.

I object to all proposed revisions to Chapter 78 and recommend that separate oil & gas regulations be drafted for conventional and unconventional operations. The DEP should not regulate my work at small well sites similarly to the large operations at unconventional pads.

At a minimum, exemptions should be put in place so the proposed regulations do not affect operators of oil & gas wells less than 3,000 feet deep. Proposed regulations for pits should have an exemption for pits less than 1,000 bbl in volume.

The history of conventional oil & gas operations in Pennsylvania goes back over 150 years. These proposed regulations in combination with recently enacted Act 13 threaten to end conventional oil & gas. I work hard for my paycheck and would expect that the government would work hard to maintain my job, not threaten to end it. Please vote "no" to the proposed changes to Chapter 78.

Sincerely,

Stephen Bonace

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