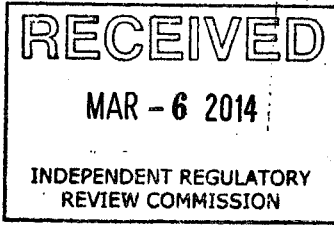


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Date:

Klein Family Century Farm
18 McClatchie Hollow
Mina, Pennsylvania 16915

Environmental Quality Board
P.O. Box 8477
Harrisburg, PA 17105-8477

Dear Board Members:

I am a concerned citizen, not directly affiliated with the oil or gas industry, and am writing to voice my **opposition** to the proposed changes to the Chapter 78 regulations currently being considered by your board.

Shallow oil and gas wells have operated in my area for over 150 years and their footprint on the environment has been minimal. As I understand the proposed regulatory changes, they would be very detrimental and too costly for the operators of shallow wells to comply with.

If we lose our local oil and gas producers, it would cause an increase in unemployment, loss of production vital to our local refinery, and take millions of dollars out of our already suffering local economy.

Please vote "NO" on the proposed changes to regulations, as they apply to conventional oil and gas wells. Allow the shallow wells to operate under the regulations in place before passage of Act 13 of 2012 and instruct the DEP to apply changes to nonconventional, deep wells **ONLY**.

Sincerely,

Dear E. Board members,
I have visited several well sites in and around Bolivar and Ceres Ny. and rock city Ca. and was amazed at the clear abundant streams &

folded along them, and I
could not believe this type
of oil well drilling that
has been going on for 150
years or so would possibly
be lumped in with Marcellus
Shale (frac.) drilling as far as
laws and regulations!

They are two completely different
types of wells and procedures
and rules governing one can't
possibly have a correct bearing
on the other.

All shallow oil wells in Pa, Ny,
WV & Ohio would be shut down,
Who would pay the taxes, fire &
Police etc. Please rethink! *Earl Altman's*
Ming, Pennsylvania