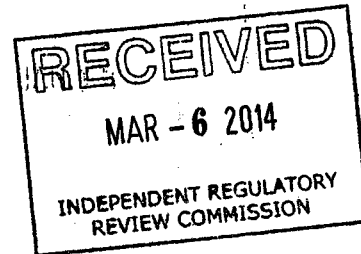


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Date: Jan 13, 2014

Helen B. Altenhein
18 McLatchie Hollow Road
Mino, PA 16915 LN

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

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This is what we call "one size fits all" and to my knowledge this practice does not work. By the way, the water courses in the Bradford/Duane Center areas of Pennsylvania are naturally inundated with oil and it is just understood that that is the way it will be. Lots of lush habitat!

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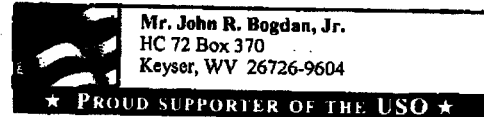
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*Note: I am a co-owner
of Bogdan farm, near
Monongahela, PA
(Washington County)*

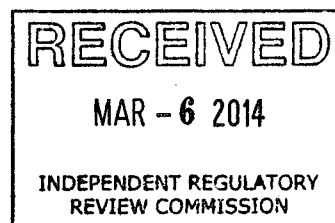
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H.C. 72 Box 370
Street Address

Keyser, WV 26726
City, State & Zip Code

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February 18, 2014



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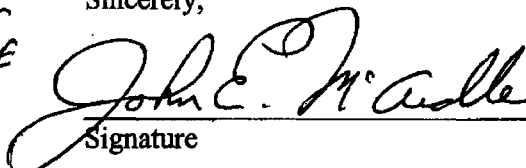
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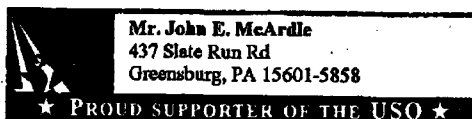
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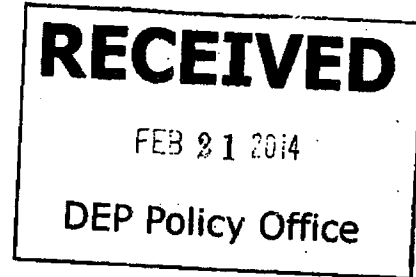
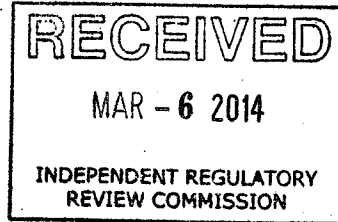

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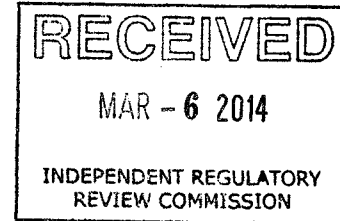
*I vote no on this
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January 29, 2014*

Le Roy P. Geibel Sr.
110 Geibel Woods Lane
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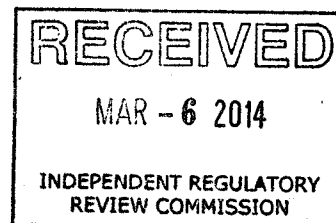
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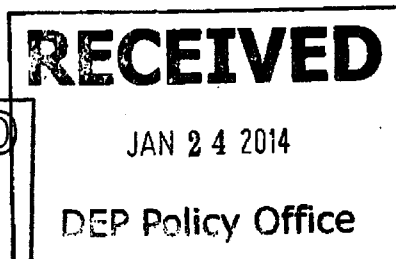
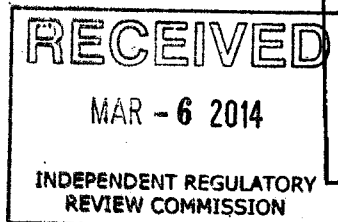
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Sincerely,

DENNIS McILWAIN
Print Name

Dennis McIlwain
Sign

Dennis McIlwain
518 Iron Bridge Road
Harrisburg, Pa 16201

My personal view as being a small business owner my self, I would ask, to not impose unnecessary regulations on business that is so important to everyone's lives. When small business can't compete, we will all suffer.

Thank you
Dennis McIlwain

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Print Name

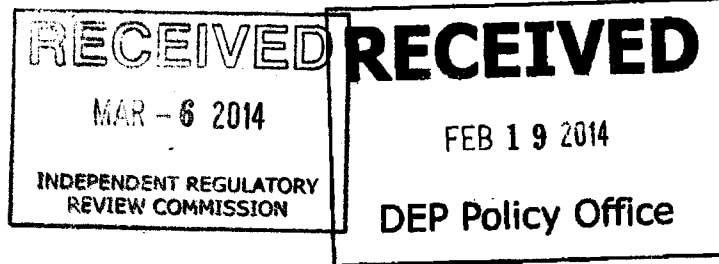
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 India Loevner 315 Shaffer Run Rd. Allison Park, PA 15101

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ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY BOARD
P.O. BOX 8477
HARRISBURG, PA 17105-8477



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.

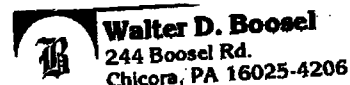
The oil and gas industry is vital as an economic engine as well as a job supplier. As a taxpayer, I rely on the money I receive from the oil and gas development on my property, especially during these difficult economic times. The increase in costs for the oil and gas industry directly affects my financial 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?

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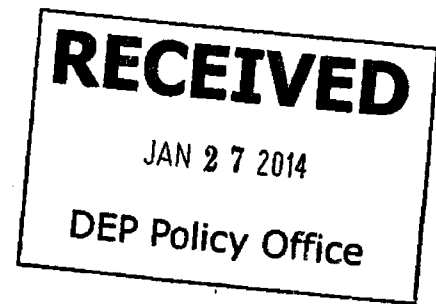
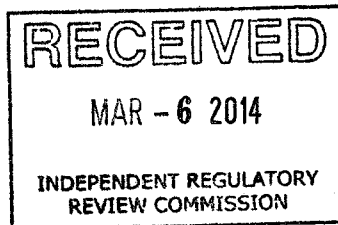
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Sincerely,

Walter D Boosel



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Jani's Turner
90 Summer St
Bradford PA 16701

Date:

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

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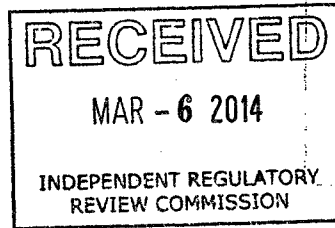
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JAN 14

MR. GEORGE E. CONNOR
179 PATTERSON LANE
BRADFORD, PA. 16201

Date:

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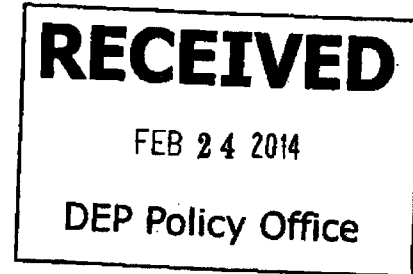
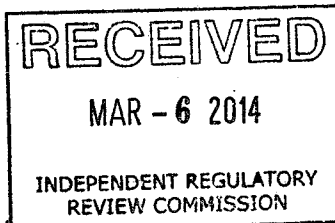
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George E. Connor

*These smaller oil companies are the lifeline
of Bradford, Pa.*

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RODGER A. KLENOVICH
P.O. Box 244
LEWIS RUN, PA. 16738

Date:

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Rodger A. Klenovich

P.S. I am a retired person who works part-time at a Quick Fill full-service gas station owned by United Refining Co. We depend on shallow well oil and gas producers for the "raw materials" of our products. And, I depend on the income from my part-time job.

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DEP Policy Office

Mathyn O'Donnell
279 Medical Center Rd
Chicago, PA 16025

Date: 2-1-14

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Mathyn O'Donnell

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February 9, 2014



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We are overregulated on many things.

Sincerely,

Kathy E. Hunter

Signature

1725 Hancock Road

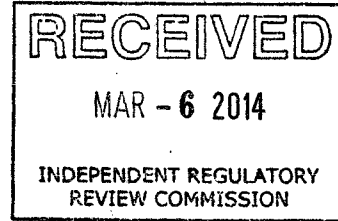
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Environmental Quality Control Board
Standards at Oil & Gas Well Sites
P.O. Box 8477
Harrisburg, PA 17105-8477



Feb. 25, 2104

Re: Environmental Protection Performance

Dear Sir or Madam,

I'm taking time out of my busy schedule to write and recommend tougher rules for natural gas drilling so we can protect our water and our health.

Do you have children? Do you have pets? Do you have grandchildren? What kind of environment are you going to leave them if you don't take the time now to do the right thing?

I am joining hundreds of families AND tax payers in PA requesting strongly that DEP enact great, stable, long-lasting protections for our drinking water and public health.

It seems anything worth doing right in this world, comes at a cost. Don't cheapen our health or cut corners.

Thank you for your time.

Signed,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Victoria Aslan".

Victoria Aslan, citizen
4202 Pine St.
Philadelphia, PA 19104

Cc: Clean Water Action
1315 Walnut St. Ste., 1650
Philadelphia, PA 19107

Aslan
4202 Pine St.
Phila., PA 19104

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Environmental Quality Board
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HARRISBURG, PA. 17105-8477

Board Members -

My concern on this regulation
is the impact on small family
producers, lessors, and dullers
of conventional shallow oil & gas
wells.

I am a lessor of those
shallow minerals.

I foresee fewer wells
drilled, and the smaller operators,
driller replaced by large entities,
and less competition.

I recommend a less costly
approach to regulation for the
shallow, conventional oil & gas. Perhaps
a separate chapter regulating wells
less than 3000'.

For these reasons vote "NO"
until amendments address shallow, conventional
oil & gas wells.

Sincerely,
John Novosel
570-874-1340

John Novosel
1025 Heslop Rd
Mc. Twp, Pa. 18707

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Please vote "NO" to adopting this rule unless it is substantially revised to reflect full consideration of the costs and benefits of the regulation. Show us that the wellbeing of our people and the prosperity of our communities are every bit important as Pennsylvania's natural resources.

Sincerely,

Donald E. Wolf


Family Member of an Oil & Gas Industry Worker

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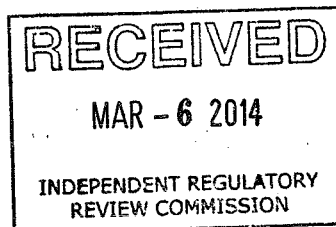
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Donald Wolf
4715 Skyles
Prospect, PA 16052

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February 8, 2014



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Harrisburg, PA 17105-8477

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If you believe in God
AND our Bible, Read Jeremiah
5:21-25

Our God Controls
All ocean levels + seasons
Its not Global Warming
were facing; Its Gods
Global Warming!!!
I pray you will see + hear!
Mona L. Coulter

Sincerely,

Mona L. Coulter
Signature

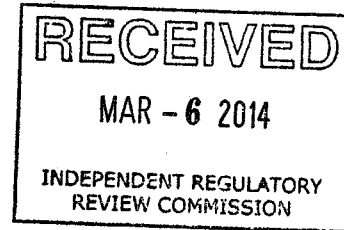
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Curwensville, Pa. 16833
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February 17, 2014

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Sincerely,

Be assured that I care
deeply for our "Earth." Please
make sure the laws reflect
proper disposal of the chemicals
and liquids that are used to
drill deep into our earth. I
am concerned about the holding
water pools that could poison
wildlife and surface soil
and water. JMH

Joretta M Horrell
Signature

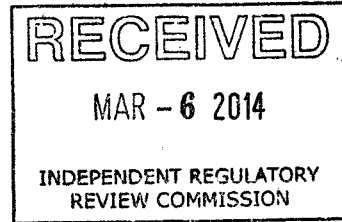
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February 12, 2014

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



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P.S. WELL PERMITTING SHOULD
BE HANDLED BY THE DEP NOT
LOCAL GOVERNMENTS. AMERICA'S
ENERGY RESOURCES ARE BEST
MANAGED BY GEOLOGISTS &
PROFESSIONALS IN BUSINESS. AN
ANTI BUSINESS LOCAL OFFICIAL
COULD LOCK UP HUGE OIL & GAS
FIELDS, JUST TO BE SPITEFUL,

Sincerely,

Signature

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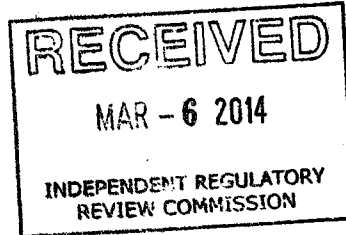
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VINCENT P. MAKOVILS
111 TIMBERLANE
BELLEVILLE PA 15012

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February 28, 2014

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Harrisburg, PA 17105-8477



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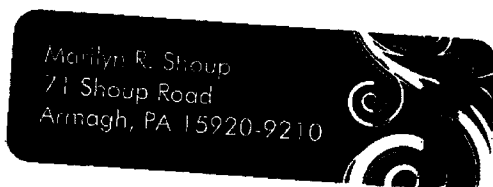
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Sincerely,



Marilyn R. Shoup
Signature

71 Shoup Road
Street Address

Armagh, PA 15920-9210
City, State & Zip Code

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71 Shoup Road
Armagh, PA 15920
Feb. 28, 2014

Gentlemen:

This is in regard to revisions to PADEP. I am not only concerned with present revisions, I am concerned about the last 4 years. When my husband passed away in 2010 we received a check of over \$900.00 from one of our gas wells for one month. In Jan. 2014 I received a check for \$263.05 and this was the largest check I have received in quite some time probably more than 3 years. My income has dropped devastatingly since 2010 at a time when security is vitally important to me as a widow with decreased income. Of course, my other couple wells have also decreased drastically. Please quit targeting Seniors who worked very hard all our life to remain independent and self sustaining.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Marilyn R. Shoup

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Well I'll Be...

January, 2014

In the northwest section of Pennsylvania shallow oil and gas wells are drilled.

The oil and gas companies and other associated businesses employ well over 100,000 people. They are all working together helping Pennsylvania go and grow!

Now the Pennsylvania D.E.P. has a mission to destroy the shallow oil and gas companies along with associated businesses by enacting rules and regulation that are impossible for local oil and gas companies to abide by.

Four out of seven selected hearing locations are not near shallow oil or gas fields.

You would think the Pennsylvania D.E.P. was controlled by Far East Oil countries.

YOUR OIL/GAS AGENTS WANT

Sincerely,

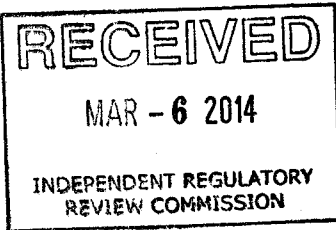
**Help us save
the oil industry!**

Tom M Neilly

TO SHUT DOWN SHALLOW OIL/GAS
WELLS!

Tom M. Neilly
Oil Man
S.W. Neilly Corp.
PO Box 414
Bradford, PA 16701

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SIR: I-BUT IT IS
YOU MAY KNOW OR NOT IT
THAT
YOUR OIL/GAS AGENTS
ARE OUT TO SHUT
DOWN ~~ON~~ SHALLOW OIL
- GAS WELLS WITH
FOOL HARDY REGULATIONS.
THANK YOU

1+1832 Tom M. Maddy

MR. CHRISTOPHER
ABRUZZO
D.E.P. HEADQUARTERS
RACHEL CARSON STATE
OFFICE BUILDING
400 MARKET ST.
HARRISBURG, PA.

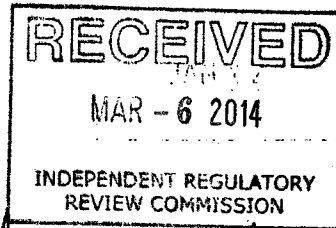


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PA: Environmental Quality Board
PO Box 8477
Harrisburg, Pa. 17105-8477



Dear Board Members,

I am an oil and gas operator in Western Pa. There are regulations your board is considering enacting at this time and I am writing to you to request that these regulations not be enacted.

We have operated these wells under current regulations for many years and they have been proven to be more than adequate and effective.

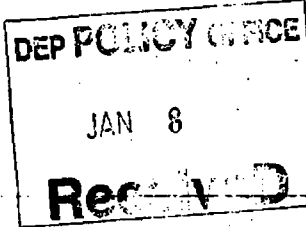
My business is very small (One to One 1/2 BBL Day O.O.) and being on a fixed income these new regulations could put me out of business altogether. This will also hurt the refineries, local businesses that supply our hardware + equipment etc.

I believe that our conventional wells shouldn't be regulated the same as the Marcellus and other Deep O.O. & Gas Plays.

Please vote no on these proposed regulations and keep the conventional wells under the current, effective, regulations that were in place before the passage of Act 13 of 2012.

Sincerely
Ronald L. Graham
111 Hillbrook Rd
Olcott, Pa. 16025

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5739 Rt 208

Knob, Pa. 16232

Environmental Quality Board

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Harrisburg, Pa. 17150

Dear Board Member,

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My name is N. Lee Fisher, I'm a seventy year old army vet, amputee and I am writing to express my concern about proposed changes in regulations affecting the oil and gas industry.

I depend on the little income I get from conventional wells I have to supplement my social security and a small farm income to pay my bills and taxes.

Shallow wells or conventional wells must be excluded from Act 13 and all regulations of Act 13. As you know conventional wells are not the same as marcellus or Utica wells.

Ergon and American Refining Group depend highly on the oil from paraffin based Cr. crude to make many products that you and I depend on every day. Shutting down the small producers with unnecessary regulations will not only hurt us but many here in western Pa. This is not just the cost of doing business today; it's an industry killer. Many jobs in related industries will be affected as well.

I am well aware of environmental issues as I am a farmer. Many who attempt to change regulations may be well intentioned but misguided. These small producers haven't hurt the environment for the past 150 years so why is it a concern now in 2014?

It is also quite interesting to know that possibly

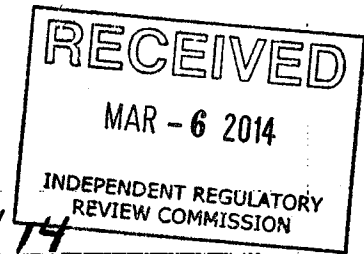
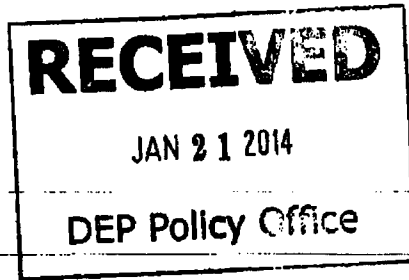
only two of the seven public hearings in January 2014 will be held in counties that have conventional wells. How can there be fair representation).

Please take the time to consider the ramifications of your decision will have on the small producer in Western Pa. Thank you.

Respectfully yours,
N. Lee Fisher



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To Whom It May Concern,

This letter is written in regard to some of the proposed changes to environmental protection performance standards.

Whatever changes you have in mind, please keep these thoughts in your head.

Mother Nature is being destroyed on a daily basis. Much of this destruction is being carried out by corporate polluters in search of higher profits. This has got to stop.

Along with that comes the threat to water and air quality. Take a look at what happened to W. Va. recently. Think of the average person and not Wall St. when you make your decisions.

The rules and regulations concerning oil and gas drilling should be very, very stringent. Along with these rules and regulations should come constant inspections of the drilling sites.

Please keep these items in mind as you go through the

decision making process. Future
generations will thank you for it.

Thank You
J. Mark Vendel
20313 Vendel Rd.
Connewville, PA.
16406

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America the Beautiful

Dear Environmental Quality Board Members,

My husband & I support the effort to protect our water from Gas Drilling contamination by doing the following

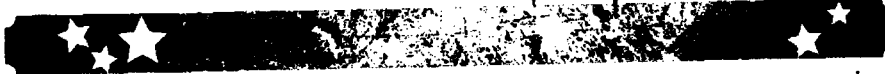
- Prohibit using open air frack pits which often leak toxic chemicals into ground water & soil.

- Require operators to restore contaminated drinking water supplies to a safe standard.

- Require comprehensive pre-drill testing of nearby water supplies.

Thank you,

Kate Witman
127 Bryn Mawr Ave.
Bala Cynwyd, Pa - 19004



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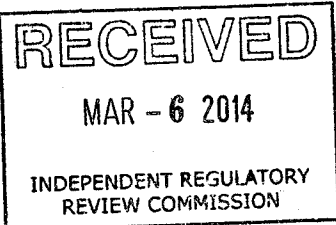
Environmental Quality Board Members,
as a Pittsburgh Pennsylvania
resident I am very concerned
about current fracking processes.
I urge you to please strengthen
protections to my water and the
water of my family and friends
by prohibiting the use of
frack pits, requiring operators
to restore contaminated
water to Safe Drinking Act
standards and to extend the
comment period. I think you
owe it to the people to give them
time to tell you how they feel
about these toxic practices. Please
feel free to reply to me at

30 S 13th St, Pittsburgh, PA 15203

- A concerned citizen

Chelsea Bokcheeding

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ENVIRONMENTAL
QUALITY BOARD

JAN. 16, 2014

DEAR BOARD MEMBERS

MY NAME IS DANIEL WEAVER
AND I AM WRITING AS A
CONCERNED CITIZEN PERTAINING
TO IMPLEMENTATION OF ACT 13
ABOUT CONVENTIONAL SHALLOW OIL
AND GAS WELLS.

BEFORE NEW REGULATIONS ARE
IMPOSED ON SHALLOW PRODUCTION,
CAREFUL STEPS SHOULD BE TAKEN
TO BE SURE THESE REGULATIONS
ARE NECESSARY. ADDITIONAL
REGULATIONS ON SMALL PRODUCERS
WILL HAVE A NEGATIVE ECONOMIC
IMPACT AND VERY FEW POSITIVE
RESULTS.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR
CONSIDERATION AND PLEASE VOTE
TO EXCLUDE CONVENTIONAL
SHALLOW WELLS FROM CHAPTER 78
ACT 13.

Daniel Weaver

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Memo from:

OWEN HANNON
ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY BOARD
PO BOX 8477
HARRISBURG PA 17106-8477

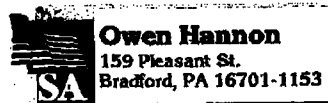
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I AM OPPOSED TO THE
PROPOSED CHANGES TO THE
CHAPTER 78 REGULATION CURRENTLY
BEING CONSIDERED BY YOUR BOARD.

ALLOW THE SHALLOW WELLS
TO OPERATE UNDER AND BEFORE
PASSAGE OF ACT 13 AND APPLY
CHANGES TO NONCONVENTIONAL
DEEP WELLS ONLY.

THIS WILL PUT MANY
OF THE OPERATORS OF SHALLOW
WELLS OUT OF BUSINESS. IT
WILL BE COSTLY AND CAUSE UNEMPLOYMENT
IF THIS ACT IS PASSED.

OWEN HANNON
159 PLEASANT ST
BRADFORD PA 16701-1153



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Environmental Quality Board
POB 8477
Springburg Pa 17105

20 January 2014

Dear Board Members:

I oppose the new regulations on oil/gas production in Pennsylvania. Current ones provide sufficient protection to the environment. More will be harmful.

I receive royalties. Over the past ten years, my income has dropped to nearly half of what it was. The proposed rules changes in Chapter 78 Regulations would add to the cost of drilling. That will in the end - lower my income.

Let us protect Pennsylvania's jobs, our oil and gas production and the financial benefits the industry gives our communities.

Please vote "No" to these new regulations,

Sincerely,

Letta Decker

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ST MARYS PA 15857
814-834-2810

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Cooper, Kathy

From: RegComments@pa.gov
Sent: Wednesday, March 05, 2014 3:58 PM
To: Environment-Committee@pasenate.com; apankake@pasen.gov; IRRC;
RegComments@pa.gov; eregop@pahousegop.com;
environmentalcommittee@pahouse.net
Cc: ra-epmsdevelopment@pa.gov
Subject: Proposed Rulemaking - Environmental Protection Performance Standards at Oil and Gas Well Sites

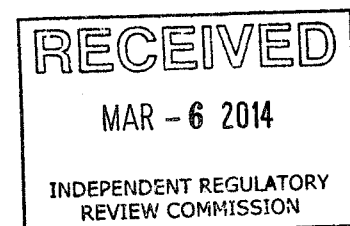


Re: Proposed Rulemaking - Environmental Protection Performance Standards at Oil and Gas Well Sites

The Environmental Quality Board (EQB) has received the following comments regarding the above-referenced proposed rulemaking.

Commentor Information:

David Falvo
(david_falvo@yahoo.com)
Not Provided
Honesdale, PA 18431 US



Comments entered:

I am concerned that this bill lacks the language needed to protect our environment, to guard are valuable aquifers, and to hold polluters responsible for their actions, especially corporations. I hope you will take these concerns seriously, because most all voters share my concerns.

David Falvo
Honesdale, Pa 18431

No attachments were included as part of this comment.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

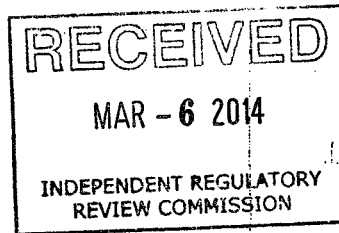
Sincerely,
Hayley Book

Hayley Book
Director, Office of Policy
PA Department of Environmental Protection
Rachel Carson State Office Building

P.O. Box 2063
Harrisburg, PA 17105-2063
Office: 717-783-8727
Fax: 717-783-8926
RegComments@pa.gov

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Please vote "no" to adopting this rule unless it is substantially revised to reflect full consideration of the costs and benefits of the regulation. Show us that the wellbeing of our people and the prosperity of our communities are every bit important as Pennsylvania's natural resources.

Sincerely,

GARETH J. GAUL

Gareth J. Gaul
Print Name

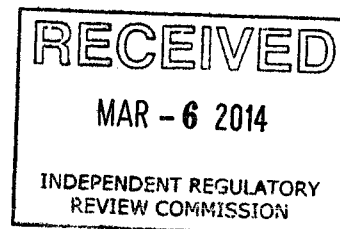
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Please allow Pennsylvania to be a leader
in our energy independence. Help us bring back
a strong economy, Don't choke us out.
G. Gaul

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February 14, 2014

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



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P.S:

WE ARE DOING GOOD -
W/OUT DRILLING & FRACKING
IN TEXAS

NEED HELP? CALL
BOONE PICKENS

Charles R Schumaker
Signature

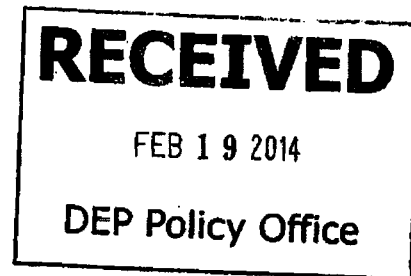
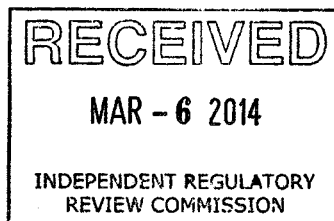
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February 6, 2014

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DO SCREW up a good thing

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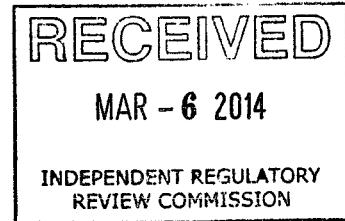
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February 18, 2014

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SIR'S -
WHAT EVER YOU DO-DO NOT
MAKE WORSE AS TO CUT
110 TO MY SMALL ROYALTY
CHECK IT HELPS WITH MY
8/8 CHECK

James A. Lucassen
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