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Attachments: Comments to Proposed Oil and Gas Regulations.docx

Good afternoon,

This email was submitted within the comment period timeframe, but I requested addresses of all the signatories. The information below was submitted back to me. We have labeled this one "Knizer's Form Letter". There are 11 signatures on this letter.

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Please see the attached comments to the proposed oil and gas regulations.

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**Comments to
Proposed Environmental and Protection Performance Standards
at Oil and Gas Well Sites**

VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

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**RE: Proposed Environmental Protection Performance Standards at
Oil and Gas Well Sites (25 Pa Code, Chapter 78)**

This letter provides comments to the Environmental Quality Board's proposed regulations, published in the *Pennsylvania Bulletin* on Saturday, December 14, 2013 (43 Pa.B. 7377), and specifically supports and incorporates the detailed comments submitted by the Westmoreland Marcellus Citizens' Group, Representative Mundy, and other similarly situated groups.

As residents who are served by the Municipal Water Authority of Westmoreland County, we urge the EQB to amend the proposed regulations to better protect water resources, and to better regulate the disposal and storage of drilling materials and waste. Marcellus drilling activities have been permitted at the Beaver Run Reservoir, a reservoir that supplies water to approximately 150,000 customers. In the last year alone, Consol Energy's CNX Gas has been cited for a) failing to construct pits and tanks "with sufficient capacity to contain pollutional substances," b) failing to "properly control or dispose of industrial or residual waste to prevent pollution of the waters of the Commonwealth," and c) allowing "stream discharge of industrial waste." In July of 2012, a similar release involving the "discharge of pollutional material" occurred. See, http://www.portal.state.pa.us/portal/server.pt/community/oil_and_gas_reports/. The comments submitted by the Westmoreland Marcellus Citizens' Group and Representative Mundy are necessary to protect the health and welfare of citizens of Pennsylvania. Indeed, to date over 1600 residents of Pennsylvania have entered their names onto the *List of the Harmed*, avowing that after drilling operations began in their area, they became ill.

We therefore strongly encourage the EQB to amend the proposed regulations to address the above-referenced comments.

Sincerely,

Allen and April Knizner,

Kristen and Nick Azzarello,

Chris and Dan Bogler,

Rebecca Bortz,

Kristen and Erik Gray,

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