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The Department of Environmental Protection has received the following comments on Proposed Rulemaking: Control of VOC Emissions from Oil and Natural Gas Sources (#7-544).

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Comments entered:

I am opposed to the proposed rulemaking for Control of VOC Emissions from Oil and Natural Gas Sources. As defined in the text of the proposal, it is far too broad and open to too far wide of an interpretation. The ramifications to this could include: mandating expensive/unsafe equipment, requiring emissions control equipment that utilizes chemicals that are far more hazardous to employees and the public than anything currently on existing oil and gas sites, and a general hostility that drives the industry to other basins. I currently live within a 1mi radius of 3 natural gas well sites, and 1.5mi from a compressor station. Currently no chemicals or emissions are a threat to myself and my family due to vapor release into the air. The PA DEP should work with industry partners to develop current best practices that aim to reduce VOCs into specific industry guidelines.

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Please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely, Jessica Shirley

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