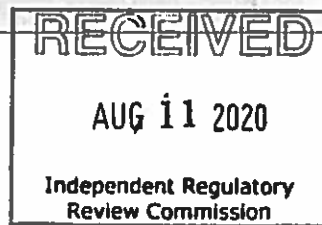


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I'm writing to support PA-DEP's proposal to set standards to protect public health from VOCs and climate pollution from oil and gas operations in Pennsylvania.

While these are a crucial step, I'm calling on PA-DEP to strengthen its proposal by closing existing loopholes for low-producing wells, remove provisions that reduce frequency of inspections for some oil and gas operators, and set these standards for all new and existing oil and gas operations.

As a cancer survivor, I can assure you that it is cruel to subject innocent Pennsylvanians to carcinogen exposure in what should be the safety of their own homes. Even the odor of lingering cigarette smoke on a jacket triggers serious anxiety. Yet elsewhere In Pennsylvania, even one's own home is a danger zone due to fracking pollution.

This is inhumane and unacceptable. Again, therefore, I am calling on PA-DEP to strengthen its proposal by closing existing loopholes for low-producing wells, remove provisions that reduce frequency of inspections for some oil and gas operators, and set these standards for all new and existing oil and gas operations.