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The Department of Environmental Protection has received the following comments on Proposed Rulemaking: Exclusion for Identification and Listing Hazardous Waste at MAX Environmental Technologies, Inc. Bulger & Yukon Facilities (#7-566).

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I object to this waste being reclassified as Non-Hazardous since the U.S. E.P.A determined that filter cake at Max's facility should be classified as Hazardous waste, given the type of waste disposed of there. That sort of reclassification would also remove protective oversight by the PA D.E.P. -- which is another mistake.

We've learned over recent years of the radioactive nature of Marcellus shale waste from NORM and TENORM, with Radium 226 being not only present, but also water soluble. If anything, the EQB should be looking for ways to tighten controls on disposal of this toxic waste, not ways to make it easier!

I might also add that there is an alarming amount of toxic shale gas waste going into municipal landfills which were never designed to handle Marcellus shale hazardous waste. While many of those landfills are designed to have a 100-year lifespan, RA226 waste has a half-life of 1,600 years.

Let's start thinking about future generations here in Pennsylvania, instead of further relaxing regulations on this 'grand fracking experiment' with citizens' future health!

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Please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,
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