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I strongly support effective, comprehensive regulations that will reduce the probability that drilling done to extract gas from the Marcellus Shale will contaminate aquifers, and that the discharge from fracing will introduce dangerous levels of pollutants into above-ground water.

We need to ensure that the advantages gained from drilling do not come at too high a cost for our environment, which is the foundation for the quality of life today and for generations to come.

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