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Loyalsock Creek Watershed Association

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Environmental Quality Board
P. O. Box 8477
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Subject: CH 78 Regulations

Dear Board Members,

I am writing on behalf of the directors and members of the Loyalsock Creek Watershed Association to **urge you to include the language proposed by the Harvey Consulting report in the new Chapter 78 regulations.**

Many of us who live in the watershed are absolutely dependent on our wells for our drinking water. The proposed changes in the Chapter 78 regulations would help to prevent contaminants from leaving gas well and finding their way into our aquifers, springs and creeks. The changes would also help force the gas well companies to take responsibility for polluted water or diminished water in a timely fashion. To prevent spills and fires, ALL wells need to be drilled with a Blow-Out Preventer. Much of our watershed is forested, and forest fires are as much a disaster as polluted water.

Our watershed encompasses over 500 square miles of Pennsylvania. Please do everything that you can to protect our water, land, air and way of life.

Sincerely,

Carol Kafer, President

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