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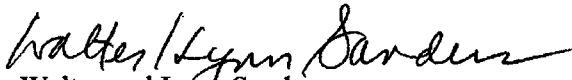
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Dear Board Members,

My wife and I reside in Tioga County, one of the Pennsylvania counties impacted by Marcellus Shale drilling activities. We are concerned about maintaining the quality of our well water supply. (We have our water tested by an independent lab and are pleased with the findings and with the fine, fresh taste of our water.) We write in full support of the proposed regulatory changes intended to improve the safety of oil and gas wells across Pennsylvania through strengthening the construction standards for oil and gas wells. As we read your proposal, we understand that the regulations would require well operators to inspect all existing wells quarterly in addition to using pressure-testing procedures for casings used in Marcellus Shale wells and oilfield-grade cement as well as blowout preventers.

Sincerely,



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