

1 wastewater be permitted in the
2 basin.

3 HEARING OFFICER:

4 Thank you, ma'am. Next
5 would be Walter Jeranek. And
6 then Corinne Mayland. And then
7 Jennifer Coffey. Okay. Walter
8 Jeranek, J-E-R-A-N-E-K? Not
9 here.

10 Next will be Corinne
11 Mayland. And then after her
12 would be Jennifer Coffey and
13 Coralie Pryde. All right. Is
14 this Corinne Mayland?

15 MS. MAYLAND:

16 I'm Corinne Mayland.

17 HEARING OFFICER:

18 Corinne. Excuse me.

19 Okay.

20 MS. MAYLAND:

21 So my name is Corinne
22 Mayland. I live in Lansdale,
23 Pennsylvania; a municipality
24 within the Delaware River
25 Basin. I strongly support the

1 proposal to ban fracking in the
2 watershed. I ask the
3 Commission to go further and
4 ban water withdrawals for
5 fracking or fracking-related
6 purposes.

7 As for the disposal and
8 discharge of wastewater
9 associated with fracking
10 production, I ask for either an
11 outright ban or at least a
12 moratorium.

13 In regards to the
14 fracking produced water by a
15 CWT, I applaud the Commission's
16 efforts to increase the quality
17 standards for monitoring this
18 type of water. But I believe
19 it doesn't go far enough. The
20 Commission can't be confident
21 in their monitoring proposal to
22 deliver safe water quality, if
23 they don't really know what it
24 needs to be monitored for.

25 For years, other

1 agencies have fought to have
2 companies disclose their
3 composition of fracking fluid
4 additives. The EPA wanted to
5 do prospective studies and
6 produce the water composition.
7 But the oil and gas industry so
8 whittled away the study's scope
9 that it will not be acceptable.

10 The DRBC proposes to use
11 the results of the EPA list as
12 the basis of approvals of
13 concern. That's not enough.
14 We all know that chemicals
15 remain undisclosed because they
16 were deemed confidential
17 business information.

18 The EPA confirmed this,
19 stating that non-disclosure
20 occurred along the majority of
21 the wells reporting to frack
22 ---.

23 Lichen leaking out of
24 just a handful of chemicals is
25 no big deal, but many chemicals

1 are hazardous at levels in the
2 parts per million. So looking
3 to the EPA published list is
4 indeed necessary, but it is not
5 sufficient.

6 Therefore, I don't
7 believe it meets the DRBC
8 Commission of basing its
9 decision on sound science. I
10 ask that the Commission either
11 ban the discharge of
12 fracking-produced water by CWT,
13 or impose a moratorium on it
14 pending further scientific
15 data. That data should be
16 multiple independent studies
17 regarding the composition of
18 produced water.

19 So management of the
20 water resources in the Delaware
21 River Basin promulgates having
22 a long view. This Commission
23 responsibly took the time to
24 get the data that now supports
25 the draft ban of fracking the

1 watershed. I believe it's also
2 enough to support banning water
3 withdrawals for fracking or
4 fracking-related purposes. As
5 for the disposal and discharge
6 of wastewater, either ban it or
7 impose a moratorium so the
8 Commission can again take the
9 time to get the data.

10 So in regards to the
11 supposed data that Mr. Lutz was
12 citing, the Susquehanna River
13 Basin's remote water quality,
14 that's just one system. That
15 report is a preliminary trend
16 analysis. It tests surface
17 water only, not groundwater
18 wells. Only 39 of the 59
19 monitoring stations have
20 actively fractured wells.
21 Since small samples, even
22 smaller --- only six leading
23 indicators are tested at every
24 station. And their conclusion
25 that they have not detected

1 impacts on the quality of the
2 basic water. That's not
3 synonymous with no impacts ---.

4 HEARING OFFICER:

5 Thank you. Jennifer
6 Coffey would be next. And then
7 Coralie Pryde. And then Clio
8 Gates. I'm sorry. I think I
9 mis-said your name. It's
10 Jennifer Coffey, C-O-F-F-E-Y.
11 Is she present? All right.
12 Then Coralie Pryde would be
13 next. All right. And then
14 after Ms. Pryde would be Clio
15 Gates and Katie Smith.

16 Okay. When you're
17 ready, ma'am. Thank you.

18 MS. PRYDE:

19 I'm Coralie Pryde. And
20 I'm speaking for the League of
21 Women Voters of Delaware. We
22 believe that it is absolutely
23 necessary that the DRBC
24 vigorously protect the waters
25 of the Delaware River.