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Dear Madame/Sir:

I am a NYC resident who has been opposed to fracking since I became informed about the toxic, destructive, irreversible damage it does to water, air, humans, wildlife, vegetation, local and distant environments. Dick Cheney's Halliburton loophole has enabled fracking's carcinogenic cocktail to be pumped into faulty, leaky wells repeatedly like rape and it endangers the immediate ecosystem and those downstream of it. While New York State has "banned" horizontal fracking, there are still vertical wells in operation and we erroneously accept Pennsylvania's radioactive waste. WHY? We should not continue to build out the fossil fuel infrastructure but instead should be going to renewables-solar and wind now. Everything appears to be sliding backwards in this country--the EPA is being destroyed daily. It is time to lead this country and take responsibility for our actions. People have become climate refugees and we must acknowledge that we are on this Earth for a short while; we MUST leave it for future generations to be able to live!