

1       encyclopedia, it tells us that a  
2       Commonwealth is a government where we  
3       the people have something to say, but  
4       it seems more and more in the  
5       Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, nobody  
6       heeds what we have to say. So I just  
7       would like to thank you for the time.

8                   HEARING OFFICER:

9                   Okay. Thank you. Ms.  
10       Oleska, Lois Ann Oleska, and then James  
11       Orben and then Ned Heindel. All right.  
12       And this is Lois Ann Oleska.

13                   MS. OLESKA:

14                   Correct.

15                   HEARING OFFICER:

16                   All right. Yes, ma'am,  
17       please.

18                   MS. OLESKA:

19                   I'm Lois Oleska. I am  
20       Moose Creek Watershed Board, a resident  
21       of Durham Township. I live on the  
22       creek, and it is part of the Delaware  
23       River watershed basin or watershed. As  
24       a member of the Moose Creek Board, we  
25       have many activities to educate our

1 members, our children, about water.  
2 One of the activities involves a  
3 scientific water model which is set up.  
4 It kind of looks like a fish tank.

5 We have wells set up,  
6 landscaping and then you can see all  
7 the groundwater. You add water into a  
8 well. You inject it as if it's being  
9 fracked or injected into the well. It  
10 shows up in the groundwater. When you  
11 see that, it's such a visual impression  
12 that it makes on you when you see what  
13 happens when fracked water is either  
14 added to a watershed or you have  
15 fracking that happens in a watershed.  
16 So there's a real visual model that we  
17 use for educational purposes.

18 Today, I ask the DRBC to  
19 ban and do a complete ban on all  
20 fracking and its activities in the  
21 Delaware River watershed in the basin.  
22 Our water is of the highest  
23 consideration. Durham Township has  
24 only wells that we use for drinking  
25 water. They can become contaminated if

1       contamination in our mother watershed  
2       happens. Our water is for drinking as  
3       well as for economic and recreational  
4       purposes. The river is our back yard  
5       playground.

6                       We hike along it. We  
7       have the Delaware canal right in our  
8       back yard. We fish in it, we swim in  
9       it. We notice when there's a drought,  
10      we notice when there's a flood. I'm  
11      not a scientist, but as a human being,  
12      I visually see in my model, the  
13      scientific model, the devastating  
14      effect of pollution or contamination on  
15      our water. Let's put the human race  
16      first, not the industry. Thank you.

17                    HEARING OFFICER:

18                    Okay. Thank you, ma'am.  
19      James --- James Orben and then it would  
20      be Ned Heindel and then Gail Domalakes.

21                    MR. ORBEN:

22                    Okay. Sir, please.

23                    MR. ORBEN:

24                    Hello. I am James Orben.  
25      I live in the Cooks Creek watershed in