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I believe that I have a right as a New Jersey citizen to have clean and available drinking water. I believe it is the responsibility of citizens and the government to protect the drinking water from pollution caused by any and all sources. The Delaware River Basin Commission should prioritize drinking water safety above and beyond everything else. Fracking is not safe for The Delaware River Basin. It needs to be permanently banned from the Basin. The wastewater generated from fracking is synonymous with poison and should be treated as such. I expect the governing body of the DRBC to act accordingly and ban fracking wastewater disposal within the Basin. I think it's criminal how the government has failed to protect the drinking water of the citizens of Flint Michigan. I know there are pressures placed on the government by corporations and businesses to develop or mine/drill within the lands of the Basin region or to utilize the River water for corporate profits. The obligation of the commission is to withstand these pressures and fight to maintain the integrity of the water. So please remember to do the right thing and make appropriate decisions to protect our Delaware River water. It's your job. Millions of people depend on you to protect them! If you don't feel that it's your privilege and responsibility to protect the integrity of the water then it's time to turn your seat over to someone who does. Water is Life!

Sincerely

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