

1 the only person who's allowed to drill  
2 in the northeast is my dentist.

3 HEARING OFFICER:

4 So that everyone has a  
5 chance to speak, we're going to limit  
6 the people that signed up today to two  
7 minutes. So perhaps tailor your  
8 remarks. That's the only way we can  
9 get everybody in. All right.

10 The next individual will  
11 be Susan Sullivan. Ms. Sullivan,  
12 please, when you're ready.

13 MS. SULLIVAN:

14 I'm Susan Sullivan. I'm  
15 a resident of the Town of Tusten, New  
16 York located in Sullivan County along  
17 the banks of the Delaware. Our town  
18 is a Delaware River town. I applaud  
19 the DRBC's ban on fracking in the  
20 basin. It was already considered to  
21 be a heavy industrial use by the upper  
22 Delaware Council in 2011.

23 Our letter to you folks  
24 said this is a heavy industrial use  
25 and this is not appropriate for the

1 River Carter. And it's not  
2 appropriate for the river, for the  
3 special protection waters either. In  
4 my opinion, I'm speaking for myself  
5 here.

6 Two things, you talk  
7 about allowing withdrawals from the  
8 river, and you also talk about  
9 allowing the transportation and  
10 possibly storage of toxic produced  
11 water within the special protection  
12 area. My question is --- and I know  
13 that you're not answering questions,  
14 but let me raise this issue. You  
15 don't have regulatory power.

16 In other words, you  
17 don't have people on the ground to  
18 regulate these two things. So who's  
19 going to follow the trucks taking  
20 water out of the basin? Who's going  
21 to regulate the pipelines? Who's  
22 going to regulate and examine the  
23 dangers of spills, et cetera, by  
24 either storing or transporting  
25 produced water?

1 It's simply --- I know  
2 DRBC cannot do that. We don't have  
3 the funds and neither, frankly, do the  
4 areas that we're talking about. So I  
5 oppose those two things and I'd also  
6 like to speak to the economic impacts  
7 of the de facto ban and also New York  
8 State's ban.

19 Banning fracking has  
20 been an economic plus. We've also had  
21 young farmers take up farming. Our  
22 farmers markets are prosperous. So I  
23 think we've seen excellent results  
24 from what you guys have done and I  
25 would just urge you to not allow those