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To Those Who Serve at The DRBC, I write today to implore you to uphold the strict enforcement of the traditional rules of the Congressional Compact enacted in 1961,"To Protect The Delaware River'. And Not to amend the rules so as to allow 'Any Fracking Related Activities'. I strongly oppose the amendments that would allow water to be drafted from the basin for hydro-fracking. And I strongly oppose any amendments that would allow Fracking Produce Waste Water to be imported into the watershed for disposal or treatment. I beg you to continue the strict adherence and application of the traditional rules enacted by Congress "To Maintain And Protect" the Delaware River Basin. Any Fracking related activities ARE CLEARLY IN VIOLATION OF THAT COMPACT! And are in clear violation of those rules! As a property owner who has placed 11 acres in the river corridor in conservation for future generations to enjoy, and not being a wealthy man have indeed spoken loudly as a protector of the River Basin. The Delaware's proximity to the largest population centers, and the designation as a 'Wild And Scenic River' dictates that it is of exceptional value to every citizen of our great nation. It's role in the founding of our nation grants it historic prominence, and thereby DEEDS it to the Americans who founded her with their and sacrifice in perpetuity. The Congress of the United States recognized that and created the DRBC to preserve and protect the Delaware River Basin. The boundaries were purposefully envisaged, and drawn as the best practices to accomplish and execute the stated goals of The DRBC. To Preserve And Protect The Delaware River Basin. These rules written by experts in their respective fields are likely those Americans largest lasting contribution to America. Existing rules written in ink but paid for in blood. So... Do you intend to allow international corporations with but one mandate "to maximize profit for their shareholders" To pollute, destroy, and decimate, this recently recognized National Treasure? For what approximately 1 % of the recoverable gas in Pennsylvania? In estimate a 20 year supply to areas currently served by the unjust pipelines. Obviously not, No way, Not Now, Not ever. But you are considering allowing the WORST CASE SCENARIO! The removal of precious drinking water for 17 million people, filling baby bottles every minute with the cleanest surface water in the river system of the USA.WATER SACRIFICED FOR PERMANENT DESTRUCTION! Rendering it unfit for HUMAN CONSUMPTION, and forever removing it from the hydrologic cycle that is a crucial component to the preservation of the functioning eco-system you have sworn to protect. And recieved financial compensation to protect. BUT NOT ONLY THAT, you also are considering the DUMPING OF TOXIC, RADIOACTIVE, AND SUPER ENRICHED BRINE, FUEL LADEN, ENDOCRINE DISRUPTING, CANCER CAUSING BREW OF FRACKING WASTE, to be imported into The Basin and Dumped into the River and the Delaware Bay, then on down river into the ocean. WAIT... ALONG THE WAY PEOPLE WILL BE SWIMMING IN I, BATHING IN IT, AND DRINKING IT! Uptake in fish is scientific fact! Drinking polluted water causes disease in the consumer and in the womb through the mother in vitro, and through the mothers' milk. Fish with abnormalities from chemical exposure are scientific fact.

Mothers attending future DRBC meetings with abnormal babies born with birth defects and their lawyers are your future if you pass these amended rules.

Uphold The Compact ! Protect The Basin ! BAN FRACKING NOW ! And permanantly within the Basin BAN ALL FRACKING RELATED PRACTICES! DO NOT AMEND THE RULES TO FACILITATE FRACKING!

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