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eye on it. If anyone who would like to join the call, please indicate as such and we will get you on the line. Okay, thank you.

Steve Tambini:

Once again, this is Steve Tambini with the DRBC. I think there are a few people who are trying to join the call. So, we are going to open back up and I will turn it over to the operator. She may be trying to get new people onto the call. I just want to make sure that they have enough time to speak.

Operator:

And at this time, if you would like to make a statement, if you have not already made your statement for today, please press the star and one on your touch tone keypad.

We will go now to Rodney Platt. Please spell your last name for the record. You have three minutes.

Rodney Platt:

Hi, I only need a minute. My name is Rodney Platt, spelled P as in Peter, L-A-two T's as in Thomas. I have been following the controversy about fracking on the Delaware for about ten years. I am glad that the DRBC has tightened up some of the regulations. But the latest threat with wastewater being dumped in the river is perhaps the biggest threat of all since there are such carcinogenic chemicals that are part of the fracking wastewater and many, many households rely on the water that comes from the Delaware River downstream. It, to me, is just common sense to not put anything that is poisonous into the river. If the industry can't handle its own waste and then it shouldn't be producing the waste in the first place. Water is the most important resource that we have for life. So, thank you very much for the chance to give an opinion and testify and thank you. Bye bye.

Operator:

Thank you. We will go next to Leah Zerbe. Please spell your last name for the record and you have three minutes.

Leah Zerbe:

Okay, thanks. My last name is Zerbe, Z like Zerbe, or Z like zebra, E-R-B-E. I am just calling in. I am actually working so I just kind of sneaked off for a few seconds to leave a comment. But I just want to say please support a full ban on fracking. Also, please do not allow the fresh water to be exported out. Please do not import radioactive wastewater. Again, it kind of seems like a common-sense thing. Cancer rates are already very high. I don't think we need to kind of add to the burden on the healthcare system and cause more harm to people by allowing radioactive wastewater into the watershed or by exporting our resource that we are going to need because you know water is going to be one of the most, clean water is going to be one of the most important resources that we are going to be needing moving forward. So please just think in a more, please have a longer vision with this. Just don't think about right now and ban the radioactive import, ban all fracking in the watershed, and ban exploring the freshwater out. Thanks. That's all.