

1 water. In fact, the whole
2 ecosystem, as well as our
3 people's drinking water. The
4 only way to keep our drinking
5 water safe for these 17 million
6 people who depend on the river
7 is to keep all aspects of
8 fracking out of the Delaware
9 River Basin. Thank you.

10 HEARING OFFICER:

11 Thank you, sir. Thomas
12 McCaney. I might be
13 mispronouncing your last name.
14 But it looks like it's
15 M-C-C-A-N-E-Y. Okay. No
16 response on that. Mr. Rapp
17 will be next. And then after
18 Mr. Rapp is Edward Leydon. And
19 then Bill Cozzens. Okay. When
20 you're ready, Mr. Rapp.

21 MR. RAPP:

22 I'm Mr. Rapp, an
23 impacted property owner in
24 Pennsylvania. A resident of
25 Jackson, New Jersey. And

1 firstly, I would like to call
2 on my new governor to uphold
3 the Compact with the Delaware
4 River Basin Commission and
5 disallow the dumping, and
6 storage, and water withdrawals
7 proposed.

8 So good afternoon. I
9 stand before the Delaware River
10 Basin to demand that they not
11 amend the comprehensive
12 management plan. So not to
13 adopt proposed 18 CFR part 440
14 and 4011.35. Proposed, the
15 introduction of frack waste
16 into the basin is a violation
17 of the Congressional Compact
18 with the American people. The
19 Commission must enforce the
20 comprehensive management plan
21 and defend against the
22 industrialization of this
23 precious American commodity.

24 Do not be influenced by
25 the industry's claims of

1 multi-billion dollar inflow
2 into Pennsylvania. And the
3 fact that they have claimed not
4 to have led to widespread
5 negative impact.

6 All you need to is go to
7 at the places where they are
8 fracking currently and you will
9 see plenty of negative impact.

10 With almost 10,000
11 public complaints filed with
12 the Pennsylvania Department of
13 Environmental Conservation, it
14 has been a life-altering public
15 health hazard in Pennsylvania.
16 685 peer-review studies
17 conclude that there is evidence
18 of negative impacts on water,
19 air, and human health with over
20 300 documented cases of private
21 well water contaminations
22 caused by the oil and gas
23 operations in Pennsylvania
24 alone.

25 The well pad ban is much

1 appreciated and widely
2 supported, but to allow the
3 frack waste to be emptied into
4 the watershed is a violation of
5 the comprehensive management
6 plan. Nor was the frack waste
7 considered when the draft
8 environmental impact statement
9 prepared in 1986 by the
10 national park service.

11 The DRBC considered ---
12 the citizens advisory council
13 and many of the public and
14 private interests. It wasn't
15 considered because it didn't
16 exist. Fracking didn't exist.

17 I also have here the
18 environmental impact statement.
19 I was wondering whether the
20 industry has one of those that
21 we can get a newer copy of now
22 that we know how fracking
23 influences our environment.

24 So I call on the
25 governors not to break with

1 their clear mission of
2 conservation for recreation,
3 and the preservation of the
4 historical significance of the
5 Delaware and its role that it
6 played in the founding of our
7 great nation.

8 This will be the
9 greatest miscarriage of justice
10 that ever has been inflicted on
11 the American people. Thank you
12 very much.

13 HEARING OFFICER:

14 Edward Leydon will be
15 next. And then Bill Cozzens.
16 And then Victoria Strange.
17 Okay. Sir, when you're ready
18 please.

19 MR. LEYDON:

20 Your Honor, thank you
21 very much for the opportunity
22 to speak. I'm speaking as an
23 individual and as a resident of
24 Solebury Township, Bucks
25 County, Pennsylvania. It's