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Dear Comments,

I write as a retired research and development engineer in the field of energy to say that I strongly oppose the DRBC\'s proposed rule to severely limit and thereby effectively ban hydraulic fracturing within your jurisdiction.

The petroleum industry serves the nation by powering our economy and helping to keep energy affordable for millions of Americans. While producing and delivering energy is what they do, safety is always a major priority. They work hard every day to ensure that our communities, work sites, and the environment are not put at risk.

Government data and scientific research make it clear that their commitment to safety is paying off. Hydraulic fracturing is safe and does not contaminate drinking water. Given this evidence, your proposed rule goes too far. Please do not give credence to the misinformation promoted by extreme anti-energy groups. Please review well- documented data that shows that fracking is indeed safe and provides us with an energy product that is clean and assures a continuous supply of power that is not available from either wind energy or solar cells. Home owners and industry alike need a proven source of energy that is economical. Fracking provides that benefit; green energy from solar and wind do not.

The risks of allowing energy development in the DRBC region are minimal, but the benefits are certain. Domestic energy development is critical to our nation\'s strength---to our economy, to job creation, and to our security. Households have extra money every year because we produce much of our own energy.

The DRBC\'s proposed rule would take our nation in the wrong direction. Recognizing the strong safety record of energy development, the federal government has rightly begun to limit unnecessary regulations. The DBRC should go in the same direction.

I respectfully ask the Commission to withdraw its new draft regulation and replace it with rules to support, not restrict, American energy development. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
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