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To:
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From the economic perspective we stand on the side of a diversified economy, that builds on the strength of the area, instead of rushing to 'the new energy possibilities' that lasts a limited numbers of years with the danger of leaving irreparable long-term damage to the social and economic fabric.

The overall industrial landscape that would be created in the event of opening this area to fracking-related activities would leave us without any future for the growth of the present economy for tourism, hunting, fishing, wild life observation, and recreational river related activities.

This is an area rich in historical remnants, with a proximity to New York City that creates a desirable real estate market; and the area is a site of attraction for visitors coming from New Jersey and Pennsylvania, attracted by the beauty and the leisure kind of activities in the Delaware River. This is a market that could be definitively expanded as we have a large margin for economic development.

With this in mind our concern grew stronger with the present legislation proposal for a reversal of previous determination in leaving the Delaware River Valley Corridor - a special natural designated area - pristine and void of attempts of fracking or transportation of fracking waste in undetermined locations.

For all these reasons we are asking a total ban of this type of industrial development in our area.

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