

1 She can't come.

2 HEARING OFFICER:

3 She can't? Okay. Thank
4 you. And this is Jean
5 MacFarlane.

6 MS. MACFARLANE:

7 I'm Jean MacFarlane. I
8 live in Havertown,
9 Pennsylvania. It's downstream.
10 I spent many summer weekend
11 escaping the record summer heat
12 that we've had in Philadelphia
13 recently, swimming, kayaking,
14 and tubing in the clean, cool,
15 pristine water of the Upper
16 Delaware River.

17 The proposal to permit
18 fracking discharge or storage
19 in the watershed would
20 basically turn this vital river
21 into a toxic waist dump.

22 The discharge will
23 contain known carcinogens and
24 naturally occurring radioactive
25 materials that cannot be

1 treated. The Allegheny River
2 is plagued by downstream
3 pollution from fracking
4 discharge.

5 A study released three
6 weeks ago by Duke University
7 found levels of radium in the
8 Allegheny River sediment is
9 about 650 degree --- excuse me,
10 650 times higher below water
11 treatment plants than it is at
12 sampling sites upstream.

13 In addition, according
14 to the Pennsylvania DEP, 80
15 percent of water withdrawn from
16 the water will be used in
17 fracking --- to be used in
18 fracking will be trapped
19 underground. It will not
20 return to the hydroelectric
21 cycle. That is the natural
22 movement of moisture from
23 evaporation, condensation,
24 precipitation, and collection
25 in aquifers and rivers.

1 In addition to providing
2 people, animals, and plants
3 with water, it also moves
4 nutrients, pathogens, and
5 sediment in and out of aquatic
6 ecosystems.

7 The safety assurances of
8 the oil and gas industry are
9 really a joke. Last summer we
10 saw aquifers punctured and well
11 contaminated in West Pikeland,
12 PA. In November, residential
13 yards were flooded with
14 drilling mud caused by
15 frack-out.

16 The influence of the oil
17 and gas industry is powerful.
18 And the DRBC ban must --- have
19 been one fragile barrier that
20 has been protecting us. The
21 DRBC must continue to protect
22 the watershed by clearly
23 stating in the regulations that
24 no water withdrawal for
25 fracking, and no disposal of

1 wastewater be permitted in the
2 basin.

3 HEARING OFFICER:

4 Thank you, ma'am. Next
5 would be Walter Jeranek. And
6 then Corinne Mayland. And then
7 Jennifer Coffey. Okay. Walter
8 Jeranek, J-E-R-A-N-E-K? Not
9 here.

10 Next will be Corinne
11 Mayland. And then after her
12 would be Jennifer Coffey and
13 Coralie Pryde. All right. Is
14 this Corinne Mayland?

15 MS. MAYLAND:

16 I'm Corinne Mayland.

17 HEARING OFFICER:

18 Corinne. Excuse me.

19 Okay.

20 MS. MAYLAND:

21 So my name is Corinne
22 Mayland. I live in Lansdale,
23 Pennsylvania; a municipality
24 within the Delaware River
25 Basin. I strongly support the