

1 first disrespectful thing we've heard.
2 Everybody else has been very
3 respectful, so please let's not revert
4 to that. Okay.

5 This is Mr. Millen.

6 MR. MILLEN:

12 I have a degree from
13 Penn State. I also have a degree from
14 the University of Scranton. I was a
15 teacher for 38 years, a farmer all my
16 life. And I've watched --- since
17 we've been here I've seen a lot of
18 things happen.

19 For example, the Tocks
20 Island dam, for those of you that are
21 my age or a little older, is something
22 that came about and came in and took
23 areas along the Delaware River and
24 came in by eminent domain and removed
25 these family farms, just took them.

1 I didn't have any choice
2 in that. And this is what this DRBC
3 right now is currently trying to do
4 with us. We've sat on these amendment
5 rights for years, and years, and
6 years. We also have other deposits on
7 our farm, for example. We have
8 uranium, traces of copper. Are we
9 going to be blocked from doing that
10 sometime in the future, too?

11 And who's going to pay
12 us for this? As far as the safety of
13 this, there's an EPA study which is
14 online that says --- it doesn't say
15 that you shouldn't drill. It says
16 that there are precautions that you
17 have to take. And many times those
18 precautions are superseded by
19 companies that try to cut corners.

20 And that's where a fine
21 should be in play to stop it. We have
22 a power plant that's going in about
23 ten miles from our farm, and a
24 pipeline that's going to have to come
25 from way up north to supply gas. They

1 could come ten miles across through
2 game lands that we don't see and cut
3 down our transportation cost which
4 would then cut down the cost of
5 generated electricity.

6 As for being a farmer,
7 and as some of the other ones here
8 have said, we are the true stewards of
9 the land. And if you prevent us from
10 using this natural resource that we
11 have and you continue to move in here
12 with your developments and so on and
13 keep cranking our taxes up, you're
14 going to drive us out.

15 When you drive us out,
16 that's when your water should --- that
17 is where the clean water comes from.
18 Not from you running around hollering
19 about how you're going to save the
20 river. We actually do it every day.

21 I had the opportunity a
22 couple years ago to participate in a
23 study called Hertz Scope and they're
24 monitoring earthquake activities and
25 so on ---.