

1                   created.

2                   So it's simply ---

3                   excuse me. Treatment plants  
4                   can't handle the wastewater.

5                   So it's simply not enough to  
6                   discourage water withdrawals,  
7                   and the disposal of fracking  
8                   waste to the Delaware Basin.

9                   Both must be unambiguously  
10                   prohibited. The resource is  
11                   too vital to risk. Thank you.

12                   HEARING OFFICER:

13                   Thank you. Mike Doyle,  
14                   please. And then Bruce  
15                   Birchard. And then Andrea  
16                   Strout.

17                   MR. DOYLE:

18                   Thank you very much. My  
19                   name is Mike Doyle. And I come  
20                   here as candidate for the  
21                   legislative district, the 170th  
22                   legislative district.

23                   I knew I had to come  
24                   today to express my concern  
25                   that the Delaware River Basin

Commission was possibly going to allow one thing while not allowing the other.

8                   And water is life, as a speaker  
9                   said earlier.

10 It is important that we  
11 are stewards here and we  
12 maintain that stewardship.

13                   There are people that have laid  
14                   their lives on the line.

15 Native Americans that  
16 laid their lives on the line to  
17 fight for this most sacred  
18 source of life. And we sit  
19 here today from our privilege  
20 discussing whether it is good  
21 to allow waste or just ban  
22 fracking completely.

1 protection, we have to look and  
2 see what we are doing as a  
3 society. Right now, Mother  
4 Earth is laying sick and dying  
5 in her bed. And what we choose  
6 to do is instead of giving her  
7 medicine, we choose to inject  
8 her with poison.

17 It is important that we  
18 maintain this. And that we  
19 allow the people to speak  
20 because if we continue to let  
21 corporations dictate how we  
22 live on this planet, this  
23 planet will soon die.

24 I come here as someone  
25 who has witnessed this

1 firsthand. And to the River  
2 Basin Commission, and to you,  
3 Your Honor, and to everybody  
4 here that allows us to speak  
5 today, many thanks. We thank  
6 the Creator.

HEARING OFFICER:

MR. BIRCHARD:

22 Well, good afternoon.  
23 My name is Bruce Birchard. I  
24 live in Delaware County. I've  
25 lived there since --- my life