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Dear Delaware River Basin Commission,

I strongly oppose hydraulic fracturing in Pennsylvania. The moratorium should not be lifted, but instead transformed into a permanent ban. Our state constitution guarantees our right to clean air and water. Natural gas drilling threatens this right, contaminating water quality with waste fluid and air quality with hazardous gas discharges. Fish have been killed in streams from fracking pollution, harming recreational and commercial fishers alike. The natural gas industry is already benefiting from unprecedented federal exemptions from important laws like the Clean Water Act, the Clean Air Act, and the Safe Drinking Water Act. Pennsylvania should step up where the federal government is failing and enforce protections for Pennsylvania citizens - not further encourage careless behavior.

Please prohibit natural gas drilling in the Delaware River Basin.

Thank you for considering my comments.