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There are many reasons to ban fracking and its related infrastructure from the Delaware Watershed. At a time when we are seeing huge bills for the cost of climate change (300 billion dollars in the second half of last year alone due to warming forces on hurricanes and wild fires) we need to slow down fracking and the use of fossil fuels and not promote them because of the nature of methane leakage being so harmful.

I know the effects that fracking and infrastructure has on people living by it, as I've been documenting people's struggles with gas for 8 years now. I even applied to Governor Wolf's pipeline panel with references from a Congressman and two State Representatives and a letter explaining that I will be representing those people living on the routes with no compensation and a fear of health and safety issues. I was accepted to be on the panel for a total of 2 days before a special assistant to the Governor called the DEP to have me removed with no explanation. It was later that I found out that the assistant who called has a husband who is a lobbyist for the gas industry.

<https://stateimpact.npr.org/pennsylvania/2015/08/28/emails-show-how-wolf-dep-unfriendly-fractivist-from-pipeline-group/>

<https://stateimpact.npr.org/pennsylvania/2017/12/07/ethics-complaint-filed-against-wolf-aide/>

This link from the PA DEP shows over 300 confirmed contaminations from fracking since 2009. Several thousand complaints have been filed and many cases have been mishandled or no determination revealed.

http://files.dep.state.pa.us/OilGas/BOGM/BOGMPortalFiles/OilGasReports/Determination_Letters/Regional_Determination_Letters.pdf

<http://publicherald.org/pennsylvania-attorney-general-launches-fracking-probe-residents-call-help/>

I am now again speaking on behalf of the people being ignored by our Governor in saying that a ban is necessary and ethically imperative of all fracking activities in the Delaware Watershed.

Sincerely,
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