

From: "Brenda Lee"
To: Edward Hanlon/DC/USEPA/US@EPA
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Subject: FRACKING STUDY

Dear Edward Hanlon,

I am just a concerned citizen of the United States that has just become aware of the environmental issues surrounding "fracking" that would like to just make it known that I hope this study doesn't take forever! I seen a map of just how many wells are in Pennsylvania and I am sure that those who would profit from drilling are ramping up to drill even more especially knowing that this study is moving forward. At least in France they have had the intelligence to ban this horrible practice.

I hope that you and all on the advisory board have seen the movie "Gasland" which can be found doing a Google search or on uTube. See for yourself the hardship and sadness of those who have been directly affected by this horrible assault on the environment and their flaming drinking water that they can no longer use. I recently watched a video that had a couple who's retirement home that had a pond was directly poisoned by a spill at a nearby drilling site killing all the fish and frogs as well as trees in the forest. Another farmer had to quarantine his cows because they drank radioactive wastewater from a spill. Another young man said he watched as deep red sludge oozed out of the side of a mountain and ran right into a river! This is a greed driven total disregard for human life and the environment. People's lives are in jeopardy RIGHT NOW!

I hope there is an immediate moratorium on future drilling until your study is complete. This has been going on for far too long and so much damage has already been done. How can we consider this to be a "clean green" energy when it is so damaging to our environment? Yes, we need to get off our dependence of foreign oil but there must be a more responsible way to do that.

For the record, I also believe that "Wind Turbine Farms" are not the answer either! Besides the fact that the turbines kill thousands of birds and bats, they also present a greater problem with the fact that they are not recyclable so what do they do with them when they are retired? When they catch on fire they are allowed to burn spewing toxic smoke and fiberglass particles into the air. Has the EPA studied that fact? They are another greed driven with a total disregard for the environment.

I was told by a friend that we know how to make fuel from TRASH. Gosh, I don't think ANYONE would protest making fuel from the thousands if not millions of landfills! Why can't we do that?

I find it disgusting that those representing "natural gas" are touting it as "clean energy" and are taking full advantage of many who are poor waving wads of cash in their faces in

order to secure the mineral rights to their land. They don't realize that they might have just as well signed over the property because their land will become uninhabitable due to polluted drinking water. Maybe they don't think anyone of any importance is watching what they are doing. That may have been true in the past but I plan on educating everyone I know about this important issue and hopefully they will spread the word too. I vote to STOP FRACKING!!

PLEASE DON'T DELAY. PLEASE! MANY LIVES DEPEND ON YOU AND YOUR TEAM FOR THIS STUDY.

Thank you for reading my email. I would be most grateful for a reply.

Kindest regards,
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