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To whom this may concern,

The natural gas produced from hydraulic fracturing has indeed lower bills around the country, but this comes with huge consequences to the environment. The waste water from the fracturing has been spread on roads and dumped into rivers or on soil after little or ineffective treatment. We have yet to see the consequences from this, but the affects of dumping radioactive waste and unknown chemicals into the environment must be bad. We should not ban hydraulic fracturing, but we should not allow companies to dump radioactive and possibly toxic waste into rivers. We should, instead, force companies to find ways to filter the toxins and radioactive waste out of the water, or reuse the water. The EPA should do surprise checks of the water to make sure it is safe to dispose of. This would still allow us to tap into our huge supply of natural gas, and protect our environment.

Regards,

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