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Dear Mr. Hanlon:

I request that you include me as a stakeholder in the study of the "Potential Impacts of Hydraulic Fracturing on Drinking Water Resources". I am a stakeholder because of my position as General Partner of a Texas Limited Partnership holding over 10,000 acres of surface land under which there is extensive horizontal drilling operations.

I believe that hydraulic fracturing has opened substantial energy reserves to the betterment of the people of America generally and that any future rules and regulations for drinking water protection must be well balanced to consider these economic benefits to all as well as jobs in a vital industry. I found portions of the "Draft Plan" to highlight economic "costs" while putting consideration of economic benefits outside the scope. I feel you must weigh the huge economic benefits fairly if economic factors are considered at all. Consumers across the US benefited greatly from low natural gas prices during this cold winter, for example.

I reviewed the candidate list from which the 23 review members were selected and was struck by the virtually all academic nature of the final panel. I note the EPA contention that there is no appearance of lack of impartiality among the panel. However, defining impartiality depends on a point of view and this panel seems to me to have its own generic bias. This increases my concerns above that the "Draft Plan" be more balanced.

As a stakeholder, I request that you consider these issues, and keep me updated on all reports or regulations considered or proposed by the advisory committee.

Sincerely,

  
CB Wilson  
President, CROSS V Management, LLC, General Partner