

To: Edward Hanlon/DC/USEPA/US@EPA
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Subject: offer of hydraulic fracturing film for review

Dear Mr. Hanlon,

I notice that you are collecting information for the Environmental Engineering Committee Augmented for Hydraulic Fracturing Review.

I am a filmmaker and we have just released a film on the environmental and social effects of natural gas and oil drilling in communities in the Rocky Mountain West. Hydraulic Fracturing is a topic that is featured in the film. It was broadcast in October 2009 and January 2010 on Discovery's Planet Green Channel and is available on DVD. I would like to offer the committee a copy of our film free of charge if they would like to review it in their process. It has been requested by numerous legislators at the national, state and local level and also by local branches of the EPA. It has also been shown at educational institutions across the country including the School of Forestry and Environmental Studies at Yale University and Harvard Environmental Law Society. Further in depth information about health effects from drilling can be found in the DVD extras. For more information about the film go to www.splitestate.com. A trailer for the film can also be viewed on the website: www.splitestate.com/video_clips.html. The committee can contact me at info@splitestate.com if they would like to request a copy for review.

Best Regards,
Debra Anderson
Producer/Director, Split Estate
Red Rock Pictures

“Split Estate’ is an eye-opening examination of the consequences and conflicts that can arise between surface land owners in the western United States, and those who own and extract the energy and mineral rights below. This film is of value to anyone wrestling with rational, sustainable energy policy while preserving the priceless elements of cultural heritage, private enterprise above-ground, and the precious health not only of people but the land itself.”

Bill Richardson, Governor of New Mexico

“Split Estate is a moving portrait that highlights important questions regarding the safety of hydraulic fracturing near our local communities.”

U.S. Representative Diana DeGette, Colorado

"Split Estate' is a must-see film for any elected official who deals with natural resources issues and the impact that oil & gas extraction can have on a community. Anyone who sees the film will be changed by the experience - for the better."

Brian Egolf, New Mexico State Representative