



This letter is in opposition to H.B. 5409

My name is Robert Wood and I am the founder and president of AirWell Water, Inc. located in Pawcatuck, Connecticut. AirWell Water is a company primarily focused on developing technologies to provide safe and clean drinking water for humanitarian needs throughout the world. Our water purification technology can draw from any fresh water source in the world such as a lake, river or stream and provide tens of thousands of gallons of safe and clean water per day.

AirWell's purification technology involves the proprietary application of ozone gas combined with complementary technologies as needed. Ozone gas successfully eliminates biological contamination, oxidizes heavy metals, many chemicals, fertilizers and hydrocarbons.

Last year, we received contact from the oil and gas industry inquiring about our ability to work with various produced waters from the drilling and exploration process. Working with production partners outside of the state, we successfully processed sixteen ounces of produced water. The results displayed the ability of injected ozone gas to cause solids to drop out of suspension, oxidize other contaminants and leave a clear fluid that can be reused or with further processing, returned to an injection well.

As an innovative company in Connecticut, we would like to be able to work with small amounts of various produced waters at our facility in Connecticut. Continued research will allow us to explore the possibilities of leveraging our technology in a new market for our products. H.B. 5409 in preventing the storage, transportation or otherwise handling of such produced waters would prevent companies such as AirWell Water from developing solutions.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "RW", with a long, sweeping underline that extends to the right.

Robert Wood  
President  
Airwell Water, Inc.