

Testimony for H.B. 6329 An Act Concerning Hydraulic Fracturing in Connecticut

To Chairmen Senator Kennedy, Senator Minor and Representative Demicco and members of the Environment Committee

I fully support House Bill 6329 with the addition of language requested by Food and Water Watch.

Hydraulic fracturing waste poses an environmental risk with few if any benefits. Such waste contains hydrocarbons such as benzene and naphthalene which are known carcinogens.

Furthermore, this waste also contains radionuclides such as radium 228 and radium 226. The latter has a half life of 1600 years. These radionuclides would not be removed in any treatment process. There is no safe level of radiation. Thus such waste poses a threat to human health for many generations. This is not the legacy we want to leave to our descendants.

Signed,

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