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Subject: Testimony on HB 6329 AN ACT CONCERNING HYDRAULIC FRACTURING WASTE IN CONNECTICUT

To: Chairs Senator Kennedy, Senator Miner, Representative Demicco and members of the committee,

Thank you for considering my testimony as a resident of Mansfield Center, Connecticut. I support this bill and recommend a strengthening of the language: we must ban hydraulic fracturing waste for gas and also for all oil and gas drilling and extraction wastes.

Our ecosystem is fragile and must not be compromised. Our water supply must be protected; we cannot take a chance the fracking and other wastes bleed into our water supply. The toxins are medically dangerous and last for over a thousand years, so we cannot ignore this practice and pretend it will do anything positive, except line the pockets of greedy businesspeople. The risks are too high, please ban it statewide.

Our town and surrounding towns have banned this hazardous practice. This is a bipartisan issue and we ask that you ban it in the entire state.

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