Dear Honorable Senator Miner, Senator Kennedy, Representative Demicco and distinguished members of the committee,

I am writing today to ask you to please permanently ban toxic, radioactive fracking waste in Connecticut. Our environment, health, property values, town and state budgets cannot afford the accidents, spills, leaks and inadequate treatment followed by discharge that are contaminating other states. There are thousands of spills in other states with regulations, and waterways are already radioactive. We need to ban this waste in Connecticut, so we don't face the same contamination problems here.

As a mother of a 6-year old boy, I am extremely concerned for the environment we will be leaving him here in Connecticut. I really feel that fracking waste and the dangers that come with allowing it to be disposed in our state are not worth any potential monetary gain. We have a great state here with beautiful open spaces and abundant wildlife. And some of the greatest people in the nation. Let's make sure we protect their health and well-being now and in the future. Please permanently ban fracking waste in Connecticut. Please do the right thing.

Sincerely,

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