From: Food & Water Watch <act@fwwatch.org> on behalf of Barbara Tischler <act@fwwatch.org>

**Sent:** Saturday, June 17, 2017 7:14 PM

To: DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Public Comment regarding HVHHF Review #:000001

Jun 17, 2017

Illinois Department of Natural Resources Illinois Department of Natural Resources IL

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In addition, we don't want to become the next Oklahoma where earthquakes have become commonplace since fracking started there.

Do not sacrifice the health of Illinoisans and our natural resources for a toxic industry. Please deny the Woolsey Operating Company fracked well permit.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Barbara Tischler

From: Karen Tlusty Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>

Saturday, June 24, 2017 3:54 PM Sent:

To: DNR.HFPublicComments

Subject: [External] Review Number HVHHF-000001

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Sincerely,





From: clare tobin

**Sent:** Friday, July 28, 2017 1:47 PM **To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] HVHHF #000001 Supplemental Application Information

#### Dear IDNR

I am writing as an environmental activist and a concerned citizen with "Frack Free Illinois" to express my dismay and disbelief that Woolsey would dare to submit a permit application containing so many gross inadequacies, misinformation, contradictory information and many major issues where they have failed to provide any information as required by the HVHHF statutes. I implore IDNR to outright reject Woolsey's application and deny issuing any permits.

Specifically:

- 1) <u>Section 9 Water Resource Management Plan</u> Woolsey anticipates 7.5 million gallons of frack fluid in part (d). But onsite capacity for flowback is listed as 126,000 gallons. **Gross discrepancy.**
- 2) <u>Wasteful Water Usage</u> 7.5 million gallons of local groundwater is a full **50% more** than what IDNR identifies as "reliable figure of 4.4m to 5m gallons/well. This wasteful use of water will have a negative impact on White County's water supply from 3 groundwater wells which are located in shallow sand and gravel aquifers. White County's farmers who grow essential foods are being sacrificed to the demands of the fossil fuel industry. Our healthy food supply must be a higher priority over oil and gas.
- 3) <u>Well Site Safety Plan (i)</u>Page 117 of the 164 page Well Site Safety Plan includes "**Permissible Heat Exposure TLV**" makes no mention to address adequate personnel on duty.
- (ii)"Fugitive Dust Control Plan" no definition of "fugitive dust"/
- (iii) **Control of Other Air Emissions**" states "Low Sulfur Diesel will be used when possible" This **is totally inadequate** should be "always".
- 4) <u>Section 12 The Containment Plan</u>.- Page 2 states "tanks located within the area of the well site to be surrounded by a dike capable of holding 150% of the total volume of a "single largest container". **Totally inadequate**.
- 5) <u>Section 13 Casing and Cementing Plan</u> (i)states "prior to setting and cementing of the casing IDNR district office will be contacted by phone and electronic mail to enable an inspector to be present. **No mention of how much advance notice will be provided 5 minutes or 5 days?**
- 6) Similarly, (ii) "prior to drilling out the casing shell for Blow-out Preventor DNR will be contacted by phone and electronic mail to enable an inspector to be present". No mention of how much advance notice will be provided 5 minutes or 5 days?

In addition to the above gross inadequacies, Woolsey's Initial Application submitted May 22, 2017 has other major deficiencies:

- 1) <u>Direction Drilling Plan Doc.3 –</u> drilling lengths and depths do not match the depth in the scaled cross section. Also there is a discrepancy in the angle of the non-vertical portion of the well bore. **It is extremely irresponsible and unacceptable to provide inaccurate information!**
- 2) <u>(i) Underground Freshwater Info.</u> Doc. 4 inadequate determination of underground freshwater no Geological Survey Data provided. **Again this is irresponsible and unacceptable.** 
  - (ii) Evidence to establish the Lowest Potential Fresh Water No information provided.

# Unacceptable.

- 3) <u>HVHHF Op Plan Doc. 5 Fails to clearly identify Formation to be Stimulated</u> for example "New Albany Shale" "Grassy Creek Shale" "Resevoir Zone" "Selmier Shale: is referred to as the frac barrier" Confusing and inadequate depictions.
- 4) Failure to Clearly Identify the Confining Zone not even referred to in the application.
- 5) <u>Micro-Seismic Study no data or calculations provided</u>. Totally irresponsible and inadequate.

- **6)** <u>Fracturing Pressure of the "Producing Zone" given as 2,975 psi. However there cannot be the same psi for 3 different wells.</u>
- 7) Surface Training Pressure no data.
- **8)** Vertical Propagation of Fracking to be accurately determined and stated. Inadequate info provide just one sentence.
- 9) No info on extent, water or water service for any formation no thickness information provided for 3 formations in New Albany Shale. Unacceptable.
- 10) <u>Data on leaking on Transmissive Faults</u> no info provided.
- 11) <u>Chemical disclosure Report Doc. 7 lists only 4 chemicals instead of 10.</u>
- **12**) Wellness Safety Plan Doc. 11. (i) No clarity for NORM Sampling. "Black Shale" is undefined. Specific geological formations applicant considers to be "black shale".
  - (ii) No consideration given to the safety of members of the public in the site vicinity.
  - (iii) <u>Failure to specify Earthquake or Flood Plan Hazard.</u>
- **13**) **Proof of Insurance Doc. 18** totally inadequate \$50,000 total is not acceptable. It should be \$50,000 per well.
- **14**) **Bond Info.** does not give locational info for the specific well site covered.
- **15**) <u>Water Quality Monitoring Work Plan is not "Independent"</u> but by Shawnee Professional Services whose owner Mitch Garrett was a founder of a pro-fracking group in Johnson County. Conflict of interest and definitely not "independent".

For those examples listed above and many other overwhelming reasons – please do your duty to protect the citizens of Illinois and reject this deplorable application.

Sincerely, Clare Tobin

From: Stephen Todd Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>

**Sent:** Friday, June 23, 2017 2:39 PM **To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Review Number HVHHF-000001

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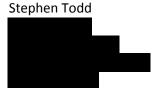
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From: Food & Water Watch <act@fwwatch.org> on behalf of Dee Tollas <act@fwwatch.org>

**Sent:** Saturday, June 17, 2017 10:50 AM

**To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Public Comment regarding HVHHF Review #:000001

Jun 17, 2017

Illinois Department of Natural Resources Illinois Department of Natural Resources IL

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Overall fracking is bad, think Oklahoma with more earthquakes now than California due to fracking. We produce enough oil, lets start thinking and implementing clean energy.

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Sincerely,

Mrs. Dee Tollas

From: Thomas Tollick Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>

**Sent:** Friday, June 23, 2017 2:37 PM **To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

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**Thomas Tollick** 



From: Food & Water Watch <act@fwwatch.org> on behalf of Marie Tomlins <act@fwwatch.org>

**Sent:** Friday, June 16, 2017 4:11 PM **To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Public Comment regarding HVHHF Review #:000001

Jun 16, 2017

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Sincerely,

Ms. Marie Tomlins

From: Sent You a Personal Message

<automail@knowwho.com>

**Sent:** Friday, June 23, 2017 4:12 PM **To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

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Sincerely,

#### Mark Tomlinson



From: Rachel Tompkins

Sent You a Personal Message

<automail@knowwho.com>

**Sent:** Monday, June 26, 2017 1:32 PM

**To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Review Number HVHHF-000001

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Rachel Tompkins

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From: Linda Tonellato Sent You a Personal Message

<automail@knowwho.com>

**Sent:** Tuesday, June 27, 2017 11:10 AM

**To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Review Number HVHHF-000001

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Linda Tonellato



From: Brianna Tong

**Sent:** Monday, July 24, 2017 1:40 PM

**To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] HVHHF #000001 comments

Hello,

# I am submitting a comment on HVHHF #000001:

In Section 16: Public Notice, page 1 of this section states: "If necessary, a public hearing is scheduled for the 02 day of August, 2017...."

My comments/questions:

- Who determines if it is "necessary"?
- Who will be allowed to testify? What type of testimony will be allowed?
- Are there parameters in place for such a hearing? If yes, What are they?

# Thank you, Brianna Tong

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Brianna Tong (pronouns: she/her/hers)

Lead Organizer

Chicago Student Action, a branch of The People's Lobby

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From: Dan Tong Sent You a Personal Message

<automail@knowwho.com>

**Sent:** Sunday, June 25, 2017 3:40 AM

**To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

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From: Anthony Torralba Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>

**Sent:** Tuesday, July 11, 2017 9:43 PM **To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

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From: Food & Water Watch <act@fwwatch.org> on behalf of Linda Townill <act@fwwatch.org>

**Sent:** Friday, June 16, 2017 3:49 PM **To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

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**Sent:** Friday, June 23, 2017 6:02 PM **To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

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From: Terry Trattner Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>

**Sent:** Saturday, June 24, 2017 8:09 PM

**To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Review Number HVHHF-000001

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From: Food & Water Watch <act@fwwatch.org> on behalf of TORI TRAUSCHT <act@fwwatch.org>

**Sent:** Monday, June 26, 2017 1:56 PM

**To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

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Ms. TORI TRAUSCHT

From: John Travis Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>

**Sent:** Monday, June 26, 2017 9:56 AM

**To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Review Number HVHHF-000001

Follow Up Flag: Follow up Flag Status: Flagged

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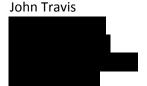
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From: Lynn Travis Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>

Sent: Thursday, June 29, 2017 7:24 PM

**To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Review Number HVHHF-000001

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Lynn Travis



From: Alice Traylor Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>

**Sent:** Friday, June 23, 2017 2:36 PM DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Review Number HVHHF-000001

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From: Food & Water Watch <act@fwwatch.org> on behalf of Treesong Treesong <act@fwwatch.org>

**Sent:** Thursday, June 22, 2017 1:15 PM

**To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Public Comment regarding HVHHF Review #:000001

Jun 22, 2017

Illinois Department of Natural Resources Illinois Department of Natural Resources IL

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Sincerely,

Mr. Treesong Treesong

From: Food & Water Watch <act@fwwatch.org> on behalf of Treesong Treesong <act@fwwatch.org>

**Sent:** Thursday, June 22, 2017 1:16 PM

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From: Food & Water Watch <act@fwwatch.org> on behalf of Michael Tregoning <act@fwwatch.org>

**Sent:** Saturday, June 17, 2017 7:43 AM

**To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Public Comment regarding HVHHF Review #:000001

Jun 17, 2017

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Sincerely,

Mr. Michael Tregoning

From: Ron Trimmer Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>

**Sent:** Saturday, July 15, 2017 9:47 AM

**To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Review Number HVHHF-000001

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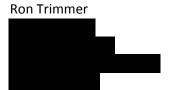
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From: Food & Water Watch <act@fwwatch.org> on behalf of Tabitha Tripp <act@fwwatch.org>

**Sent:** Thursday, June 22, 2017 11:45 AM

**To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Public Comment regarding HVHHF Review #:000001

Jun 22, 2017

Illinois Department of Natural Resources Illinois Department of Natural Resources IL

Dear Illinois Department of Natural Resources,

I live between the Wabash Valley and New Madrid Earthquake zones. I'm extremely concerned that the state is knowingly risking my family and our community and subjecting us to increase seismic activities for oil and gas extraction. I believe that granting this permit is negligent and willful abdication of sworn duty to fulfill the duties of the IL constitution, and protect the health, safety and welfare of all citizens of IL.

Since the law was passed in 2013, the EPA has concluded that oil and gas activities due contaminate water supplies, and the USGS has determined that injection wells are linked to increased seismicity, and that Health professional have concluded that oil and gas activities are directly correlated to increased health issues in communities where fracking is occurring.

1) EPA summary

https://www.epa.gov/sites/production/files/2016-12/documents/hfdwa executive summary.pdf

2) Recent research on Induced Seismicity

https://profile.usgs.gov/myscience/upload\_folder/ci2015Jun0413502655600EllsworthTLE.pdf https://profile.usgs.gov/myscience/upload\_folder/ci2015Jun0414011055600HoughTLE.pdf

3) Health issues from unconventional gas and oil extraction The Compendium is a fully referenced compilation of the significant body of scientific, medical, and journalistic findings demonstrating risks and harms of fracking. Organized to be accessible to public officials, researchers, journalists, and the public at large, the Compendium succinctly summarizes key studies and other findings relevant to the ongoing public debate about unconventional methods of oil and gas extraction. http://concernedhealthny.org/compendium/

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From: Food & Water Watch <act@fwwatch.org> on behalf of Grace Truax <act@fwwatch.org>

**Sent:** Friday, June 16, 2017 2:11 PM **To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Public Comment regarding HVHHF Review #:000001

Jun 16, 2017

Illinois Department of Natural Resources Illinois Department of Natural Resources IL

Dear Illinois Department of Natural Resources,

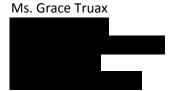
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From: Charla Trubey-Hockman <info@actionnetwork.org>

**Sent:** Friday, June 23, 2017 2:12 PM **To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

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Oil & Gas Regulatory Staff,

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Charla Trubey-Hockman

From: Food & Water Watch <act@fwwatch.org> on behalf of Dagmar Truckses <act@fwwatch.org>

**Sent:** Monday, June 19, 2017 7:55 PM

**To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Public Comment regarding HVHHF Review #:000001

Jun 19, 2017

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Dr. Dagmar Truckses

From: Christine tsan Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>

**Sent:** Friday, June 23, 2017 8:23 PM **To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

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christine tsan



From: Food & Water Watch <act@fwwatch.org> on behalf of Austin Tucker <act@fwwatch.org>

**Sent:** Wednesday, July 26, 2017 5:27 PM

**To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Public Comment regarding HVHHF Review #:000001

Jul 26, 2017

Illinois Department of Natural Resources Illinois Department of Natural Resources IL

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COMMENTS on HVHHF #000001: Supplemental Application Information

Section 16: Public Notice

Page 1 of this section states: "If necessary, a public hearing is scheduled for the 02 day of August, 2017...."

#### Comments/Questions:

- · Who determines if it is "necessary"?
- · Who will be allowed to testify? What type of testimony will be allowed?
- · Are there parameters in place for such a hearing? If yes, What are they?

Section 09: Water Source Management Plan

(f) Identify the methods to be used to minimize impact to aquatic life.

#### Comment:

Woolsey inadequately reports their plans and even intentions to monitor the volume of flowback water following injection to ensure that fugitive effluent is accounted for. Woolsey also inadequately represents the basis of their assumptions for necessary volume of flowback water storage.

(g) Identify the methods to be used to minimize withdrawals as much as feasible.

#### Comment:

The threshold of feasibility is not defined, making it impossible for IDNR to determine whether methods for water withdrawal minimization were adequate or even considered by the applicant.

The Water Source Management Plan proposes to use a total of 7,500,000 gallons of local groundwater in its treatment operations. This usage directly competes with and over 275,000 acres of private, agricultural operations and animal operations bringing over \$9 million in revenue to the county.

No justification is given by the Applicant for the extreme volume of water proposed for use or why it should not be deemed wasteful in violation of Illinois' reasonable use doctrine for groundwater withdrawals.

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Sincerely,

# Mr. Austin Tucker

From: Carrie Tucker Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>

**Sent:** Thursday, July 13, 2017 9:37 AM

**To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Review Number HVHHF-000001

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From: Dennis Tucker Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>

**Sent:** Friday, June 23, 2017 3:30 PM **To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

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#### **Dennis Tucker**



From: Food & Water Watch <act@fwwatch.org> on behalf of Meredith Tucker <act@fwwatch.org>

**Sent:** Friday, June 16, 2017 1:41 PM **To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Public Comment regarding HVHHF Review #:000001

Jun 16, 2017

Illinois Department of Natural Resources Illinois Department of Natural Resources IL

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Ms. Meredith Tucker

From: Jonathan Tupper

Sent:Friday, July 28, 2017 2:19 PMTo:DNR.HFPublicCommentsSubject:[External] HVHHF #000001

#### **HVHHF** #000001

I am writing on behalf of ONE Northside and Fair Economy Illinois regarding the The Woolsey application for a High Volume Hydraulic Fracturing Permit.

The Woolsey application is woefully inadequate. There were overarching generalities and deficiencies in the application, not to mention problems where information was actually provided.

We continue to have a concern regarding Woolsey's capability to adhere to the letter or spirit of the Hydraulic Fracturing Regulatory Act (HFRA). They clearly demonstrated their inability to complete a full and complete initial application to engage in high volume horizontal fracking. They were essentially given an "open book" test with the passage of the HFRA and have demonstrated they still can't pass that test without extensive help on the part of the Department, the environmental community and the public through written comments. We believe they have demonstrated that they lack both the capacity and willingness to comply with the law. As such, we assert that they should not be granted a permit to engage in fracking in the state of Illinois.

Sincerely,

Jonathan Tupper

ONE Northside/Fair Economy Illinois

#### **COMMENTS**

Specific comments included below reference the documents contained in the Woolsey Permit Application HVHHF-000001 and are in relation to the regulations outlined in the Hydraulic Fracturing Regulatory Act, 225 ILCS 732, unless otherwise indicated.

#### **COMMENTS**

## **Directional Drilling Plan- Document 3**

1. **Directional Drilling Plan-** The drilling lengths and depths submitted in the Plan do not match the depth in the scaled cross-section. There is also a discrepancy in angle of the non-vertical portion of the wellbore. If Woolsey cannot provide accurate information in their application, how can we trust them to drill in our state?

# **Underground Freshwater Information- Document 4**

- 2. **Inadequate Determination of Underground Freshwater No Geological Survey Data submitted**-Section 245.210(a)(5) requires reference to the Illinois State Geological Survey with regard to its proposed drilling. This is critical to insure that freshwater will not be contaminated. Woolsey has failed to provide this information.
- 3. **Inadequate Evidence to Establish the Lowest Potential Fresh Water -** Again, Woolsey has failed to provide this information. As such a clear potential exists that fresh water could exist below the drilling depth in a lower formation.

## **HVHHF Operations Plan - Document 5**

- 4. **Failure to Clearly Identify Formation to be Stimulated -** The permit fails to clearly identify the formation that will be stimulated or fracked by the operation other than to state that the "drilling objective" is the New Albany Shale but later refers to the "objective" being the "Grassy Creek" shale and, later still, describes the "reservoir zone", and the Semier Shale as the "frac barrier." These terms are not synonymous and therefore both confusing and inadequate.
- 5. **Failure to Clearly Identify the Confining Zone -** Section 245.210(a)(6) requires the Applicant to specifically identify and describe the formation or formations that constitute the "confining zone" for the proposed well. The application fails to meet this requirement. In fact, it fails to use this term at all in its application.
- 6. **Missing Data -** There is no information, data, or calculations supplied on either a micro-seismic study or the "historic" use to support whether the identification of the "frac barriers" is technically sound. The application contains no information on which a reliable conclusion can be reliably drawn regarding a confining zone or "frac barrier" and the Application is therefore inadequate and must be denied.

- 7. **Confusing Data-** The Role of the Selmier Shale is listed as both a "drilling objective" and a "frac barrier" (confining zone?) in the application. It cannot serve two purposes. It is either a drilling objective or a confining zone.
- 8. **Inadequate Information-** Fracturing Pressure- The fracturing pressure of the "producing zone" is given as 2,875 psi. Yet three separate formations are mentioned as "drilling objectives." The same psi for all three would not be used.
- 9. **Missing Data-** Surface Training Pressure Range- This information is entirely missing.
- 10. **No information on the Vertical Propagation of Fractures -** One of the most important safety features established in the Hydraulic Fracturing Regulatory Act is the requirement that the susceptibility for vertical propagation of fractures in the confining zone and the formations contributing to that zone, are accurately determined and stated in the application, Section 245.210(a)(6)(A). The Document completely fails to satisfy this safeguard. The singular sentence it does provide fails to articulate a conclusion that the well plans are adequate and effective. On this basis alone, the permit should be denied.
- 11. **Missing Data-**No information on extent, water or water source, is provided for any formation and no thickness information is provided for the three formations constituting the New Albany Shale.
- 12. **Data on Transmissive Faults Lacking** The potential for transmissive faults contiguous to HVHHF wells is a major public health and safety concern and is therefore a specific requirement for analysis in Section 245.210(a)(6)(A). However, no specific information or reliable analysis on this important feature is provided in the Document. No information on the scope, lateral extent, depth or sophistication of this survey is provided.

#### **Chemical Disclosure Report- Document 7**

- 13. **Chemical Disclosure Plan** The Document explicitly states that no trade secrecy claim will be made in connection with the chemicals proposed for use in the Application. That assertion is untrue. The Chemical and Proppant List includes the Corrosion Inhibitor Cronox AK-50 and six of its constituent chemicals supplied by vendor Baker Hughes. However, Section 3 of the Safety Data Sheet for Cronox AK-50 on "Composition/Information on Ingredients" lists ten constituent chemicals. The four chemicals in Cronox AK-50 that Applicant fails to identify in its Chemical and Proppant List:
  - 1) Oxyalkylated alkylphenol (10-20% of total mixture),
  - 2) Fatty acids (5-10% of total mixture),
  - 3) Complex alkylaryl polyo-ester (5-10% of total mixture) and
  - 4) Acetylenic alcohol (1-5% of total mixture).

All four of these constituent chemicals have their Chemical Abstract Service Number concealed on the Safety Data Sheet for the stated reason of "Trade Secret."

# Water Source Management Plan- Document 9

14. **Failure to Propose Methods to Minimize Water Withdrawals** One of the most important public safeguards of the Hydraulic Fracturing Regulatory Act is the mandate in Section 1-35(b)(10)(C) that an applicant must specify in the Application's Water Source Management Plan: "the methods to be used to minimize water withdrawals as much as feasible." This requirement is carried over directly into Section 245.210(a)(10)(A)(iv). To meet the literal wording of this statement requires that the Applicant consider a reasonable range of methods to reduce its water consumption and select those withdrawal minimization methods and alternatives that are appropriate to its proposed operation. Not only do the rules specifically require consideration of minimization alternatives, but an Application should also satisfy the "reasonable use" doctrine of groundwater use adopted in the Illinois Water Use Act of 1983 at 525 ILCS 45/6 ("The rule of "reasonable use" shall apply to groundwater withdrawals in the State.") that reasonable use does not include water used "wastefully," 525 ILCS 45/4.

The Applicant's Water Source Management Plan completely ignores these requirements. It fails to indicate a reasonable set of methods that it will employ to minimize groundwater withdrawals and, even worse, fails to indicate that the applicant undertook any effort at all to consider minimizing its water use in designing its operations.

This is a special concern in this Application where the Applicant proposes to utilize its own water wells and does not have the disincentive of paying on a per-gallon basis or having transportation costs to limit over-consumption. Further supporting this concern is the fact that the Applicant's proposed operations appear to be especially wasteful in its proposed water use. The Water Source Management Plan proposes to use a total of 7,500,000 gallons of local groundwater in its treatment operations. This quantity is a full 50% greater than what the Department itself considers to be the "most commonly reliable figure" for a HVHHF of from "4.4 to 5 million gallons per well."

No justification is given by the Applicant for this exceptionally large water use or why it should not be deemed wasteful in violation of Illinois' reasonable use doctrine for groundwater withdrawals. Such exceptionally large water consumption is particularly significant in White County, as this water will be removed from three (3) groundwater wells located in fairly shallow sand and gravel aquifers that can be rapidly depleted. Illinois has already had two significant droughts in the last 10 years. The Woolsey application indicates it plans on withdrawing the bulk of its water in the summer months when drought conditions and aquifer depletion are at their highest.

The Applicant's failure to address its minimization duty is further compounded by its apparent failure to consider use of recycled water for its operation. Its only consideration of recycled water use is a single sentence in its Water Source Management Plan that "Backflow will not commence until injection in all frac stages has been completed, thus there will be no opportunity for use of recycled water in the hydraulic fracture completion."

Concern about the inadequacy of Applicant's efforts to minimize water use is further reinforced by plan's only stated "method" for avoiding the wasting of water, i.e., that it will limit the potential for leakage on-site through the use of piping rather than trucking and keeping the piping limited in length. This claim is far too insubstantial to meet the General Assembly's intention for an effective effort at water minimization; this is a

basic design consideration that is only being puffed up to masquerade as genuine water conservation efforts. Indeed, if leak management was seriously intended, there would be a leak prevention and management plan put in place. There is none.

The only way that the Applicant can satisfy its duty of "reasonable use" of the state's groundwater and the regulatory requirement to "minimize water withdrawals as much as feasible" is to undertake a review of alternatives and to use the one that utilizes the least water, provided there is no adequately supported business reason to use a more wasteful alternative. Nothing in the Document indicates that such an effort has been undertaken. The Application therefore cannot be approved because the Applicant has not shown that its efforts at minimizing water use are adequate and effective.

Because of the failure to address any methods or alternatives to minimize its water usage, the application must be denied for the failure to meet the requirements for Water Source Management Plans. If the Plan would be approved on this basis, the practical result would be to write the minimization requirement of Section 1-35(b)(10)(C) of the Act out of the state's statutes and to lose all its intended benefits for the people of Illinois, especially the farmers of White County.

15. Will there be a Fourth Well Drilled by the Applicant on Site- The Applicant's Water Source Management Plan explicitly provides that it will involve three water wells to supply 7,500,000 gallons of water for the base fluid of the hydraulic fracturing operation. However, the Applicant's Water Quality Monitoring Plan (Document 21) contains the following statement on page 7:

The water sources included under this plan include both underground aquifers (one existing and 3 proposed HVHHF water supply wells) and a surface water body (a stock pond). <u>A fourth potentially required water supply well may be drilled, and, if completed, will be included in this monitoring program</u>. (emphasis added)

Apparently, Woolsey does not intend to be bound by its Water Source Management Plan and reserves discretion to modify it for its own undisclosed purposes in a manner that might increase its already high levels of water consumption. However, the clear intent of the Hydraulic Fracturing Regulatory Act is to make these plans binding. Accordingly, the Department should require that the reference highlighted above to a possible fourth well be deleted from the Water Quality Monitoring Plan and the Applicant expressly limited to the three wells proposed in the Water Source Management Plan, provided a valid consideration of minimization methods and alternatives does not reduce that number even further (see previous comment).

# Hydraulic Fracturing Fluids and Flowback Plan- Document 10

16. **Inadequate information on Fracturing Fluids**- The Applicant's Hydraulic Fracturing Fluids and Flowback Plan contains barely a full page of information and either completely neglects or is patently vague on numerous items of required information. Equally unacceptable, it contains no supporting information for the conclusory statements it does make. Specifically, none of the information required by paragraph (b) of the Department's form regarding fracturing fluid is provided as the only information stated in the Applicant's plan is on flowback. Accordingly, the Application is incomplete and must be returned to the Applicant to provide the paragraph (b) required information on "injection schedule, flow rate, reuse volume, storage, any treatment and total volume in detail."

- 17. **Unrealistic Rate of Flowback Recovery Proposed** The application states an anticipated 4-5,000 barrels of flowback will be recovered but fails to give information on how this number was calculated. The number proposed in the application is 2.8% of the total estimated to be utilized. This is substantially less (5.4 to 7.1 times less) than the average amount of flowback highlighted by the Ohio DNR for fracking, which is 15-20% of the total volume used. If the Ohio numbers are correct, Woolsey will have dramatically underestimated it's needs for storage capacity and transport. Woolsey must be required to quantify how it arrived at its numbers or be denied a permit on this basis.
- 18. **Inadequate Information on Storage Tanks** The application states that the storage tanks will meet the qualities for the "purpose built." There is no identification as to the number of storage tanks, which will be critical in light of the above comment, nor is there information on the rate/frequency for emptying the tanks. These are all inadequate.
- 19. **No Testing Plan for Flowback Water** This is required by law but missing in the application. This is such a critical feature that the permit application should be denied on this basis alone.
- 20. Use of Earthen Containment Berms- The plan states that the flowback storage tanks will be "enclosed by earthen containment berms which will be of sufficient size to contain all of the possible flow back fluid temporary storage volume." No information is provided regarding the engineering properties or layout of these earthen berms. Earthen berms are inadequate for site containment. And, s identified in previous comments, if the flowback calculation is closer to Ohio DNR's numbers, the storage proposed will be completely inadequate.

## **Wellsite Safety Plan- Document 11**

- 21. **No Clarity for NORM Sampling to Undefined "Black Shale**"- Section 3.2.10 of the Wellsite Safety Plan addresses Naturally Occurring Radioactive Material ("NORM"). This section limits the drill cuttings to be tested for radioactivity to "black shale." Although this phrase is used in the regulations, it is not defined there or in the Safety Plan, nor at any other point in the Application. Accordingly, what is considered the "black shale" subject to this testing requirement is unspecified. The Plan should therefore be amended to identify the specific geologic formations that the Applicant considers to be "black shale," in the vicinity of its proposed well, including the formation depth, so the extent of sampling will be clear.
- 22. **Safety Considerations of the General Public** There is virtually no consideration given to the safety of members of the general public that may be in the site's vicinity. This is unacceptable and a permit should be denied on this basis.

#### **Containment Plan- Document 12**

23. **The Containment Plan is completely inadequate.** It fails to provide specific information on capacity and design. Please see previous comments on the inadequacy of the "earthen containment berms and the lack of specificity in the number of containment tanks especially in light of the (probably) underestimated amount of flowback.

# **Casing and Cementing Plan- Document 13**

24. **Missing Information in the Casing and Cementing Plan**- The casing and cementing plan does not address the requirements labeled in Document 13 regarding the potential for earthquakes. The application is therefore incomplete and must either be amended by the applicant or denied by IDNR. Furthermore, the casing and cementing plan is completely inadequate to meet Illinois' regulations. It does not include the detail required by the HFRA and cannot be approved without this critical information.

## **Traffic Management Plan- Document 14**

25. **Traffic Avoidance of the Wabash River**- The application plan fails to address the need to avoid road traffic of hazardous materials in proximity to the Wabash River, a public water supply source.

#### **Proof of Insurance- Document 18**

26. **The Certificate of insurance is insufficient** to meet the requirements set by the HFRA and should be denied on that basis.

#### Failure to Specify Earthquake or Floodplain Hazard

27. **Specification of Earthquake area or floodplain missing or inadequate**- The Department's form requires the applicant to identify whether the insured wellsite location is in a define earthquake area or a regulatory floodplain. The Application meets neither requirement.

#### **Topsoil Preservation Plan- Document 19**

28. **Topsoil Plan Inadequate**- The Department's form requires that the Topsoil Preservation Plan must be provided with "detail." ("Please detail the plan to stockpile, stabilize . . . any topsoil and subsoil ..."). No information is provided as to the amount of soil (top or sub) that will be stockpiled. The level of negligible detail that *IS* provided, seems more like an effort to expend the least possible effort and expense in handling the soil by just spreading it around the site. Accordingly, it does not appear to be a "preservation" plan at all given this lack of detail.

## **Water Quality Monitoring Plan**

- 29. **Inadequate Water Quality Monitoring Plan** The HFRA section governing Water Quality Monitoring is over six pages in length and is specific as to what is required in an approvable plan. The applicant plan is completely inadequate in addressing everything required for in the HFRA. For example, the applicant's monitoring plan does not identify a single specific sampling point. Similarly the groundwater section is also generic. This is unacceptable and the application should be denied on this basis.
- 30. **Data Analysis Procedure Plan Inadequate** The laboratory tests require an interpretation of the test results and for that purpose, the Applicant concludes its Water Quality Monitoring Plan with a section titled

"Data Analysis Procedures." The Section is completely generic and does not actually provide such analytic procedures, thus rendering the Application incomplete. Instead of supplying an actual data analysis plan, the Applicant merely states that "the method to be used under this plan is <u>based on</u> (emphasis added) U.S. EPA methodology established for the assessment of contaminants in environmental samples, and is described in Chapter 9 of U.S. EPA publication 846. We plan to use a data analysis plan based on that methodology." Accordingly, no plan is proposed that can be evaluated during the public comment period and the Application is incomplete. There is no valid reason why such a plan cannot be presented for comment now. Without it, the application must be denied.

31. Water Quality Monitoring Work Plan is not "independent"- The "Water Quality Monitoring Work Plan" calls for an "independent third party" to collect and sample water to establish baseline measurements of water quality and quantity. The Water Quality Monitoring Work Plan also tasks an "independent third party" to collect and sample water for years into the future. The Water Quality Monitoring Work Plan application states Shawnee Professional Services will collect water samples to establish baseline measurements. The Water Quality Monitoring Work Plan application also states Shawnee Professional Services will collect water samples for years into the future. There can be no greater public interest than the monitoring of water quality & quantity. The public must depend on IDNR to protect its interests. Shawnee Professional Services has a conflict of interest. Mitch Garret owner of Shawnee Professional Services was a founder of a pro fracking group formed in Johnson County to fight the non - binding resolution "A Community Bill of Rights" in the spring of 2014. The pro fracking group felt so threatened by the non - binding "A Community Bill of Rights" resolution that one of its first acts was to "convince" The Vienna Times newspaper, three weeks prior to the vote, to refuse all anti fracking advertisement, articles and letters to the editor. To leave the ultimate "public interest" in the hands of a company owned by Mitch Garret is to not understand the meaning of independent third party.

# **Radioactive Materials Management- Document 25**

- 32. Lack of Clarification on "Black Shale" subject to sampling- As stated in the previous comments under Document 11, the Wellsite Safety Plan, the phrase "black shale" is not defined in the regulations and the extent of sampling thereof is uncertain. Please confirm what geologic formations you consider to be in the "black shale" that will be tested pursuant to this requirement.
- 33. **Need to Clarify If Filters Will Be Used and Tested for Radioactivity.-** One of the most serious sources for radioactive contamination is from filters used at hydraulic fracturing sites and disposal sites. No mention is made of filters in the Application or of the specific type of equipment to be used on-site. The Applicant must state whether any filters will be utilized on-site and if so, how they will be managed.

## **Bond- Document 27**

34. **Insufficient bond**- The bond amount identified in the application is in the amount of \$50,000 which is the amount for a single well, not a blanket bond. In the approximate center of the bond is a box captioned with: "ONLY COMPLETE IF BOND IS FOR INDIVIDUAL WELL OR PERMIT." The information to be entered in this box for an individual well gives locational and identifying information for the well covered, but the Applicant fails to provide any of that information. The Applicant must either provide a new Bond with this information or provide an explanation for why the Bond is incomplete and does not identify the well addressed in the Application.

## **Section 09 Water Source Management Plan**

(f) Identify the methods to be used to minimize impact to aquatic life.

**Comment:** Woolsey reports that they anticipate injecting 7.5 million gallons of Frac fluid in part (d) of this section. But their onsite capacity for flowback is identified as 126,000 gallons. How can 7.5 million gallons come back as 126,000? Woolsey has no back up plan if this storage capacity proves too small.

(g) Identify the methods to be used to minimize withdrawals as much as feasible.

Comment: Woolsey states that it is "not in the interest of the applicant to overuse water in the HVHHF process" but it nowhere in their comments do they explain the methods it will use to minimize withdrawals. One of the most important public safeguards of the Hydraulic Fracturing Regulatory Act is the mandate in Section 1-35(b)(10)(C) that an applicant must specify in the Application's Water Source Management Plan: "the methods to be used to minimize water withdrawals as much as feasible." This requirement is carried over directly into Section 245.210(a)(10)(A)(iv). To meet the literal wording of this statement requires that the Applicant consider a reasonable range of methods to reduce its water consumption and select those withdrawal minimization methods and alternatives that are appropriate to its proposed operation. Not only do the rules specifically require consideration of minimization alternatives, but an Application should also satisfy the "reasonable use" doctrine of groundwater use adopted in the Illinois Water Use Act of 1983 at 525 ILCS 45/6 ("The rule of "reasonable use" shall apply to groundwater withdrawals in the State.") that reasonable use does not include water used "wastefully," 525 ILCS 45/4.

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#### Section 11 Well Site Safety Plan

The Schematic of Well Pad & HVHHF Flow Back Operations in Figure 2.1 shows 3 flow back fluid storage tanks. By contrast, the Water Source Management Plan lists 6 flow back fluid storage tanks, each with a 21,000 gallon capacity. If the schematic correct, on site storage for flow back fluid is reduced to 63,000 gallons.

#### Comments and Questions:

- o Which is correct?
- o Regardless of which is correct, see the comment made in section 9(f). When Woolsey anticipates 7.5 million gallons of frac fluid, have they demonstrated that their proposed flowback storage is adequate?
- o Figure 2-4: Site Waterways Setback on Page 14 states it is 3700' to the nearest perennial stream. The original Well Site Setback plan illustrates at least 5 "non-perennial streams". Who designates these streams as "non-perennial" and what precautions is Woolsey proposing to ensure safety regarding these streams?

Page 117 of the 164 page Well Site Safety Plan has a table listing examples of "Permissible Heat Exposure TLV" (Threshold Limit Values).

• **Comment/Question:** Will adequate personnel be on duty at all appropriate times to accommodate this schedule?

Concerning Attachment E: Fugitive Dust Control Plan:

## **Comments/Questions:**

- Note: There are multiple mentions of "observed", "substantial fugitive dust". Is there a definition of "substantial fugitive dust"?
- Section 2.7 "Dust Control On Paved Roads" What provisions have been made to ensure the "Wheel Wash" they describe will be installed and monitored at the location named?

Section 2.10 "Control of Other Air Emissions": Under the heading "Appropriate emission", it states that "Low-Sulfur Diesel will be used when possible."

## **Comment/Question:**

• Who and what determines when it is possible? IDNR should require they burn Low - Sulfur Diesel at all times. Availability is not an issue.

#### **Section 12: The Containment Plan**

Page 2 of this section states: "During flow back operations the tanks located within the area of the wellsite will also be surrounded by a dike capable of holding 150% of the total volume of the single largest container or tank within a common secondary containment area. The secondary containment will be inspected as required by 245.820."

#### **Comment:**

• The potential volume of flow back fluid should be the determinate of dyke size, not the volume of any single container on site to temporarily hold flow back fluids.

## **Section 12: Casing & Cementing Plan**

Page 2 of this section states: "Prior to setting and cementing of the casing the IDNR's District Office will be contacted by phone and electronic mail of the planned operation to enable an inspector to be present."

## **Comments/Questions**

- Will IDNR have an inspector present?
- How will this be documented?

The Woolsey addendum goes on to state: "Pursuant to 245.550, prior to drilling out the casing shoe, a Blow Out Preventer (BOP) shall be installed on the well by certified personal" (sic). "Prior to testing the BOP, IDNR's District Office will be contacted by phone and electronic mail of the planned operation to enable an inspector to be present when the tests are performed.

# **Comments/Questions**

- Will IDNR have an inspector present?
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On the bottom of page 2 and continuing onto page 3 of this section, the addendum states: "Prior to setting and cementing of the casing the IDNR's District Office will be contacted by phone and electronic mail of the planned operation to enable an inspector to be present."

# **Comments/Questions**

- Will IDNR have an inspector present?
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On page 3 of this section, the addendum states: "Prior to testing the casing the IDNR's District Office will be contacted by phone and electronic mail of the planned operation to enable an inspector to be present. The casing will be tested using brine to fill the casing and pressure tested to 70% of its minimum internal yield for 30 minutes.

# **Comments/Questions:**

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#### **Section 16: Public Notice**

Page 1 of this section states: "If necessary, a public hearing is scheduled for the 02 day of August, 2017...."

# **Comments/Questions:**

- Who determines if it is "necessary"?
- Who will be allowed to testify? What type of testimony will be allowed?
- Are there parameters in place for such a hearing? If yes, What are they?

From: Dorothy Turay Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>

**Sent:** Tuesday, June 27, 2017 9:15 AM

**To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Review Number HVHHF-000001

Dear Illinois Department of Natural Resources,

I am writing these comments in regards to the application from Woolsey Operating Company, LLC for a permit under the Hydraulic Fracturing Regulatory Act (HFRA), assigned to Review Number HVHHF-000001. The proposed well (Woodrow #1H-310408-193) in White County, Illinois would threaten public health and safety and the permit application contains a number of issues highlighted below.

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From the information that is provided, a number of concerns arise, including but not limited to:

- 1. The application requests exceptionally large water withdrawals from groundwater resources that are very susceptible to depletion, and fails to include plans to recycle water or otherwise minimize water consumption.
- 2. The application significantly underestimates flowback volumes, and plans for inadequate containment facilities for even that amount of flowback and other chemicals/wastes that the application does estimate.
- 3. The application conceals information on hazardous fracking chemicals without attempting to demonstrate entitlement to trade secret protection.
- 4. The application includes inadequate insurance for the well, with insurance that excludes the very types of damages to private landowners' property that should be protected.
- 5. The operations as described in the application would fail to preserve topsoil, and the stormwater management plan is inadequate.
- 6. The application plans for deficient surface and groundwater sampling. Adequate sampling must be required to protect important water sources.

Thank you for your attention to my comments. Illinois DNR should reject the company's inadequate permit application that fails to protect our health and environment.

Sincerely,



From: Matt Turino

**Sent:** Thursday, June 22, 2017 10:17 PM

**To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] REJECT application HVHHF-27 (28)

To whom it may concern

My name is Matthew Turino and I live at Illinois DNR to reject the application submitted by the Woosley Operating Company to do high volume horizontal hydraulic fracturing in White County.

For the sake of the people, animal and plant life of our state, I beg that you reject this kind of industry in Illinois. We are at a moment in our country's trajectory where we need to reject the expansion of fossil fuel development in favor of clean energy. We need to encourage projects that will not harm our drinking water, rich soils or the safety of our neighbors.

Thank you for your work

Matthew Turino

From: Food & Water Watch <act@fwwatch.org> on behalf of Aaron Turkewitz <act@fwwatch.org>

**Sent:** Friday, June 23, 2017 11:47 AM

**To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Public Comment regarding HVHHF Review #:000001

Jun 23, 2017

Illinois Department of Natural Resources Illinois Department of Natural Resources IL

Dear Illinois Department of Natural Resources,

I implore you to consider the both short and long term health of our Illinoians and their environment, and to deny the application of Woolsey Operating Company LLC's to digging fracking wells (HVHHF Review #: 000001).

There is now abundant evidence that fracking (hydraulic fracturing) pollutes our air, water and soil with toxic, carcinogenic and radioactive materials.

Even without any severe accident (such as the Woolsey well explosion in Fairfield in 2014), we know through air sampling, water testing and infrared footage that fracked wells leak. The proposed well site is within one mile of at least 5 known oil wells, and Woolsey Oil Corporation has a plan to flare excess methane, exposing the area nearby to toxins.

Do not sacrifice the health of Illinoisans and our natural resources for a toxic industry. Please deny the Woolsey Operating Company fracked well permit.

Sincerely,

Dr. Aaron Turkewitz

From: Chris Turley Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>

**Sent:** Saturday, June 24, 2017 8:54 AM

**To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Review Number HVHHF-000001

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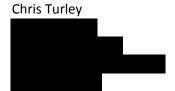
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From: Lois Turner Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>

**Sent:** Friday, June 23, 2017 6:23 PM DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Review Number HVHHF-000001

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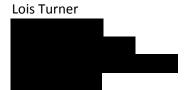
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From: Food & Water Watch <act@fwwatch.org> on behalf of Dianna Uchida <act@fwwatch.org>

**Sent:** Friday, June 16, 2017 3:41 PM **To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Public Comment regarding HVHHF Review #:000001

Jun 16, 2017

Illinois Department of Natural Resources Illinois Department of Natural Resources IL

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Ms. Dianna Uchida

From: Food & Water Watch <act@fwwatch.org> on behalf of Leslie Udaykee <act@fwwatch.org>

**Sent:** Friday, June 16, 2017 3:11 PM **To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

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Dr. Leslie Udaykee

From: Leslie Udaykee Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>

**Sent:** Saturday, June 24, 2017 1:42 PM

**To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Review Number HVHHF-000001

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From: Lisa Udel Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>

Sent: Friday, June 23, 2017 8:52 PM
To: DNR.HFPublicComments

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Lisa Udel



From: Donna Ulanowski

Sent You a Personal Message

<automail@knowwho.com>
Sent: Friday, June 23, 2017 5:03 PM

**To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Review Number HVHHF-000001

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From: Rhonda Unsicker Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>

**Sent:** Friday, June 23, 2017 7:48 PM **To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

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Rhonda Unsicker



From: Linda Unterman

**Sent:** Tuesday, June 20, 2017 2:21 PM

**To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Review Number of HVHHF-000001

I am against the permit for Review Number of HVHHF-000001. The well to be known as Woodrow #1H-310408-193 because fracking will be utilized. I am a citizen of Illinois. The groundwater of Illinios will be in danger from this operation should it go forward. It is not a matter of if but rather when contamination will occur. Ultimately, all Illinois citizens will need to pay for clean-up through our taxes.

This well is a danger to our environment and our pocketbook, evenif we don't live in it's immediate area.

Linda Unterman

From: Bonnie Uhwat Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>

**Sent:** Saturday, June 24, 2017 10:59 PM

**To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

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#### **Bonnie Uhwat**



**From:** Food & Water Watch <act@fwwatch.org> on behalf of Marianne Upp <act@fwwatch.org>

**Sent:** Friday, June 16, 2017 10:19 PM

**To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Public Comment regarding HVHHF Review #:000001

Jun 16, 2017

Illinois Department of Natural Resources Illinois Department of Natural Resources IL

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Mrs. Marianne Upp

From: Marianne Upp Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>

**Sent:** Friday, June 23, 2017 8:04 PM **To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

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From: Food & Water Watch <act@fwwatch.org> on behalf of Carol Urban <act@fwwatch.org>

**Sent:** Saturday, June 17, 2017 10:14 PM

**To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Public Comment regarding HVHHF Review #:000001

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Mrs. Carol Urban

From: Food & Water Watch <act@fwwatch.org> on behalf of Kelly Urban <act@fwwatch.org>

**Sent:** Friday, June 16, 2017 3:11 PM **To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

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Ms. Kelly Urban

From: Carol Urban Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>

**Sent:** Friday, June 23, 2017 6:31 PM **To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

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From: Andrei Ursu Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>

**Sent:** Friday, June 23, 2017 3:17 PM **To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

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From: Food & Water Watch <act@fwwatch.org> on behalf of S Uyeda <act@fwwatch.org>

**Sent:** Friday, June 16, 2017 11:12 PM

**To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Public Comment regarding HVHHF Review #:000001

Jun 16, 2017

Illinois Department of Natural Resources Illinois Department of Natural Resources IL

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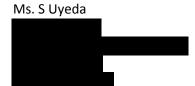
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From: Susan Uyeda Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>

Friday, June 23, 2017 10:27 PM Sent:

To: DNR.HFPublicComments

Subject: [External] Review Number HVHHF-000001

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From: Rev. Colleen Vahey <info@actionnetwork.org>

**Sent:** Friday, June 23, 2017 2:49 PM **To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Public Comment regarding HVHHF Review #:000001

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Oil & Gas Regulatory Staff,

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Thank you,

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From: Food & Water Watch <act@fwwatch.org> on behalf of claire vail <act@fwwatch.org>

**Sent:** Friday, June 16, 2017 2:11 PM **To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Public Comment regarding HVHHF Review #:000001

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Sincerely,

Mrs. claire vail

From: Claire Vail

**Sent:** Tuesday, May 30, 2017 2:23 PM

**To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Frack near Starved Rock State Park

No to fracking near Starved Rock State Park!

The damage that small earthquakes would to the natural wonders of the park would be a theft to the future only for profits for today.

## Claire Vail

From: Food & Water Watch <act@fwwatch.org> on behalf of Natalie Valenti <act@fwwatch.org>

**Sent:** Friday, June 16, 2017 1:18 PM **To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Public Comment regarding HVHHF Review #:0001

Jun 16, 2017

Illinois Department of Natural Resources Illinois Department of Natural Resources IL

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Sincerely,

Ms. Natalie Valenti

From: Erin Van Ness Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>

**Sent:** Saturday, June 24, 2017 10:36 PM

**To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Review Number HVHHF-000001

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### Erin Van Ness



From: Sent You a Personal Message

<automail@knowwho.com>

**Sent:** Saturday, June 24, 2017 8:06 AM

**To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

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Mary Beth Van Wijk



From: Diane Vandiver Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>

Sent: Sunday, June 25, 2017 8:14 PM
To: DNR.HFPublicComments

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### Diane Vandiver



From: Phyllis Vanlandingham Sent You a Personal Message

<automail@knowwho.com>

**Sent:** Friday, June 23, 2017 2:34 PM **To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

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Phyllis Vanlandingham



From: Alice Varalli Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>

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From: Food & Water Watch <act@fwwatch.org> on behalf of Jill Vargas <act@fwwatch.org>

**Sent:** Friday, June 16, 2017 2:11 PM **To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Public Comment regarding HVHHF Review #:000001

Jun 16, 2017

Illinois Department of Natural Resources Illinois Department of Natural Resources IL

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Sincerely,

Mrs. Jill Vargas



From: William Vasich Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>

**Sent:** Friday, June 23, 2017 10:58 AM **To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

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### William Vasich



From: Food & Water Watch <act@fwwatch.org> on behalf of Anastasia Vasilenko <act@fwwatch.org>

**Sent:** Thursday, June 22, 2017 10:16 PM

**To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Public Comment regarding HVHHF Review #:000001

Jun 22, 2017

Illinois Department of Natural Resources Illinois Department of Natural Resources IL

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Sincerely,

Ms. Anastasia Vasilenko

**From:** Gregory Vaughan

Sent You a Personal Message

<automail@knowwho.com>

**Sent:** Tuesday, June 27, 2017 7:41 PM

**To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Review Number HVHHF-000001

Follow Up Flag: Follow up Flag Status: Flagged

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This message was sent by KnowWho, as a service provider only, on behalf of the individual noted in the sender information.

From: Food & Water Watch <act@fwwatch.org> on behalf of Myrna Vazquez <act@fwwatch.org>

**Sent:** Friday, June 23, 2017 7:17 AM DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Public Comment regarding HVHHF Review #:000001

Jun 23, 2017

Illinois Department of Natural Resources Illinois Department of Natural Resources IL

Dear Illinois Department of Natural Resources,

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Sincerely,

Ms. Myrna Vazquez



From: Ann Vedder Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>

**Sent:** Friday, June 23, 2017 3:54 PM **To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

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From: Alex Vega-Byrnes <info@actionnetwork.org>

**Sent:** Friday, June 23, 2017 2:13 PM **To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

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Alex Vega-Byrnes

From: Fernan Velazquez Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>

**Sent:** Friday, June 23, 2017 9:31 PM **To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

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Fernan Velazquez



From: Food & Water Watch <act@fwwatch.org> on behalf of Sheri Verges <act@fwwatch.org>

**Sent:** Friday, June 16, 2017 12:48 PM

**To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Public Comment regarding HVHHF Review #:0001

Jun 16, 2017

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From: Doris Verkamp Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>

**Sent:** Saturday, June 24, 2017 6:31 AM

**To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

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**From:** Christine Vernon

Sent You a Personal Message

<automail@knowwho.com>

**Sent:** Monday, July 03, 2017 4:41 PM

**To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Review Number HVHHF-000001

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Christine Vernon



From: Wendy Vichick Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>

**Sent:** Friday, June 23, 2017 4:39 PM **To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

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From: Food & Water Watch <act@fwwatch.org> on behalf of Ralph Vidmar <act@fwwatch.org>

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Sincerely,

Mr. Ralph Vidmar

From: Cynthia Viise Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>

Tuesday, June 27, 2017 2:34 PM Sent:

To: **DNR.HFPublicComments** 

Subject: [External] Review Number HVHHF-000001

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Sincerely,





From: Linda Vilimek Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>

**Sent:** Saturday, June 24, 2017 1:29 PM

**To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Review Number HVHHF-000001

Follow Up Flag: Follow up Flag Status: Flagged

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Sincerely,

Linda Vilimek



From: Food & Water Watch <act@fwwatch.org> on behalf of Rudolph Villalaz <act@fwwatch.org>

**Sent:** Friday, June 16, 2017 3:11 PM **To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Public Comment regarding HVHHF Review #:000001

Jun 16, 2017

Illinois Department of Natural Resources Illinois Department of Natural Resources IL

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Sincerely,

Mr. Rudolph Villalaz

From: Rosa Villarreal Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>

**Sent:** Saturday, June 24, 2017 2:27 PM

**To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Review Number HVHHF-000001

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Sincerely,

Rosa Villarreal



From: Food & Water Watch <act@fwwatch.org> on behalf of Judah Viola <act@fwwatch.org>

**Sent:** Friday, June 16, 2017 10:49 PM

**To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Public Comment regarding HVHHF Review #:000001

Jun 16, 2017

Illinois Department of Natural Resources Illinois Department of Natural Resources IL

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Sincerely,

Dr. Judah Viola

**From:** George Virgil

**Sent:** Wednesday, July 26, 2017 12:58 PM

**To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Woolsey, HVHHF #000001, fracking plan inadequate

Dear Sirs,

I have concerns that there are many inadequately defined parts of this Woolsey fracking plan.

Here are just three.

- 1. What happens to the 7.5 million gallon of water projected to be used? How much will remain in the ground and how much will be injected into deep wells. What is the detailed air monitoring plan to detect off gasses and radioactive gasses such as radon that will be released above the retention pond for the flowback water.
- 2. What seismic studies have been don for the well sight and what monitoring is planned for seismic effects like what's happening in Texas, Oklahoma and North Dakota?
- 3. The \$50,000 bond is a joke.

Sent from my iPad, George. Virgil

From: Food & Water Watch <act@fwwatch.org> on behalf of Karen Virgilio <act@fwwatch.org>

**Sent:** Saturday, June 17, 2017 7:50 AM

**To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Public Comment regarding HVHHF Review #:000001

Jun 17, 2017

Illinois Department of Natural Resources Illinois Department of Natural Resources IL

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Sincerely,

Ms. Karen Virgilio

From: Food & Water Watch <act@fwwatch.org> on behalf of Richard Vitale <act@fwwatch.org>

**Sent:** Friday, June 23, 2017 12:50 PM

**To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Public Comment regarding HVHHF Review #:000001

Jun 23, 2017

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Sincerely,

Mr. Richard Vitale

From: Food & Water Watch <act@fwwatch.org> on behalf of Vince Vitale <act@fwwatch.org>

**Sent:** Sunday, June 18, 2017 12:16 PM

**To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Public Comment regarding HVHHF Review #:000001

Jun 18, 2017

Illinois Department of Natural Resources Illinois Department of Natural Resources IL

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Mr. Vince Vitale

From: Teri Vlasak Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>

**Sent:** Friday, June 23, 2017 8:02 PM **To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Review Number HVHHF-000001

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Sincerely,

## Teri Vlasak



From: Food & Water Watch <act@fwwatch.org> on behalf of Susan Voigt <act@fwwatch.org>

**Sent:** Saturday, June 17, 2017 11:50 AM

**To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Public Comment regarding HVHHF Review #:000001

Jun 17, 2017

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Ms. Susan Voigt

From: Food & Water Watch <act@fwwatch.org> on behalf of Dan Vojcak <act@fwwatch.org>

**Sent:** Saturday, June 17, 2017 9:13 AM

**To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Public Comment regarding HVHHF Review #:000001

Jun 17, 2017

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information by certain companies, we have no knowledge of the potential adverse health and environmental impacts of at least roughly 40% of these chemicals.

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From: Food & Water Watch <act@fwwatch.org> on behalf of Alan Vojtech <act@fwwatch.org>

**Sent:** Friday, June 16, 2017 1:41 PM **To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Public Comment regarding HVHHF Review #:000001

Jun 16, 2017

Illinois Department of Natural Resources Illinois Department of Natural Resources IL

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As you are well aware the Newt Madrid Fault Line sits at the rim of Illinois and is one of the most potentially dangerous seismic areas in the United States. It is therefore incumbent on you not simply to see to the care of our surface area, but also deep under that surface where coal mines and the New Madrid may cause us to have our beautiful state shaken by earthquakes as has happened in Oklahoma a state which before fracking was introduced was quake free and is now wracked by over 100 per annum.

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Sincerely,

Mr. Alan Vojtech

From: alan vojtech

**Sent:** Monday, June 26, 2017 7:44 PM

To: DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Public Comment regarding Review #: HVHHF-000001

DNR Public Comment,

IDNR Oil and Gas Regulatory Staff,

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alan voitech

From: V Voland Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>

**Sent:** Friday, June 23, 2017 7:47 PM **To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

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From: A.M. Volz

<automail@knowwho.com>

**Sent:** Sunday, June 25, 2017 4:56 PM

**To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Review Number HVHHF-000001

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From: Elsa Von Huben Sent You a Personal Message

<automail@knowwho.com>

**Sent:** Friday, June 23, 2017 2:43 PM **To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

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Sincerely,

Elsa Von Huben



From: Sent You a Personal Message

<automail@knowwho.com>

**Sent:** Friday, June 23, 2017 4:24 PM **To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

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Sincerely,

Thomas Von Geldern



From: Food & Water Watch <act@fwwatch.org> on behalf of Sarah Voska <act@fwwatch.org>

**Sent:** Saturday, June 17, 2017 4:44 PM

**To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Public Comment regarding HVHHF Review #:000001

Jun 17, 2017

Illinois Department of Natural Resources Illinois Department of Natural Resources IL

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The United States has declared water to be a right, not a privilege. We have a right to clean, safe drinking water, but the fracking industry has been exempted from the Clean Water Act, the Safe Drinking Water Act, and the Clean Air Act on the Federal level thanks to the 2005 "Halliburton Loophole". The details of this deal, if you recall, were written by Dick Chaney, a former CEO and Chairman of the company, in a serious conflict of interest. Each fracking well requires anywhere from

2 to 10 million gallons of water, the water is infused with a toxic concoction of chemicals in a "proprietary blend" that is not fully disclosed to the public and then poured down the wells. The contaminated water is a major contributor to pollution and health problems in the areas near fracking sites. The water is dealt with by either recovering the fracking fluid, or by leaving it in the wells; both pose public health and environmental risks.

Even without any severe accident (such as the Woolsey well explosion in Fairfield in 2014), we know through air sampling, water testing and infrared footage that fracked wells leak. The proposed well site is within one mile of at least 5 known oil wells, and Woolsey Oil Corporation has a plan to flare excess methane, exposing the area nearby to toxins.

Fracking also does not support the local economy, as Woolsey claims it does. Job turnover rate in the industry is close to 700% annually. That means that employment lasts on average less than 2 months, during which the employees work about 70 hours per week. These workers are usually in transient situations, are unmarried men, and are often paid in cash, which can lead to crime and disarray in the areas surrounding wells and in the communities where the workers live. What's more, the natural gas fracked from our land could very well end up not even supporting America's quest for

energy independence. Any gas captured is typically sold to the highest bidder on a global scale, not necessarily staying local.

Do not sacrifice the health of Illinoisans and our natural resources for a toxic industry. Please deny the Woolsey Operating Company fracked well permit.

Sincerely,

Ms. Sarah Voska

From: Barb Vrchota Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>

**Sent:** Friday, June 23, 2017 5:52 PM **To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Review Number HVHHF-000001

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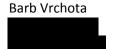
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Sincerely,



From: I W Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>

**Sent:** Tuesday, June 27, 2017 12:25 PM

**To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Review Number HVHHF-000001

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From: Food & Water Watch <act@fwwatch.org> on behalf of Brian Waak <act@fwwatch.org>

**Sent:** Friday, June 16, 2017 12:41 PM

**To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Public Comment regarding HVHHF Review #:0001

Jun 16, 2017

Illinois Department of Natural Resources Illinois Department of Natural Resources IL

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Sincerely,

Mr. Brian Waak

From: Emily Wachowiak

**Sent:** Thursday, July 27, 2017 10:02 AM

To: DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Review Number (HVHHF-000001)

This is in reference to Review Number (HVHHF-000001). I strongly urge you to ban fracking in the state of Illinois and to reject the application from the Woolsey Operating Company LLC. There is evidence that fracking contributes to both toxic air and water pollution in nearby communities. The methane leakage produced by fracking is a significant contributor to climate change. Please stand up for Illinois residents and ban this harmful practice!

-Emily Wachowiak

From: Emily Wachowiak Sent You a Personal Message

<automail@knowwho.com>

**Sent:** Tuesday, June 27, 2017 10:05 AM

**To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Review Number HVHHF-000001

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Sincerely,

### **Emily Wachowiak**



From: Food & Water Watch <act@fwwatch.org> on behalf of Julia Wade <act@fwwatch.org>

**Sent:** Friday, June 16, 2017 12:48 PM

**To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Public Comment regarding HVHHF Review #:0001

Jun 16, 2017

Illinois Department of Natural Resources Illinois Department of Natural Resources IL

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Sincerely,

Miss Julia Wade

From: Kate Wade Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>

**Sent:** Friday, June 23, 2017 2:40 PM **To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

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#### Kate Wade



From: Julia Wade Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>

**Sent:** Friday, June 23, 2017 2:37 PM **To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

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From: Food & Water Watch <act@fwwatch.org> on behalf of Kathryn Waecker <act@fwwatch.org>

**Sent:** Friday, June 16, 2017 9:42 PM **To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Public Comment regarding HVHHF Review #:000001

Jun 16, 2017

Illinois Department of Natural Resources Illinois Department of Natural Resources IL

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Sincerely,

Mrs. Kathryn Waecker

From: Food & Water Watch <act@fwwatch.org> on behalf of Brenda Wagner <act@fwwatch.org>

**Sent:** Saturday, June 17, 2017 9:14 PM

**To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Public Comment regarding HVHHF Review #:000001

Jun 17, 2017

Illinois Department of Natural Resources Illinois Department of Natural Resources IL

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Sincerely,

Mrs. Brenda Wagner

**From:** Brenda Wagner

Sent You a Personal Message

<automail@knowwho.com>

**Sent:** Friday, June 23, 2017 10:29 PM

**To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Review Number HVHHF-000001

Follow Up Flag: Follow up Flag Status: Flagged

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Brenda Wagner

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From: Ellen Wagner Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>

**Sent:** Friday, June 23, 2017 2:42 PM **To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

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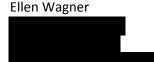
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Sincerely,



From: Sent You a Personal Message

<automail@knowwho.com>

**Sent:** Monday, June 26, 2017 10:35 AM

**To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Review Number HVHHF-000001

Follow Up Flag: Follow up Flag Status: Flagged

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Sincerely,

Russ Wagner

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From: Food & Water Watch <act@fwwatch.org> on behalf of Caryn Wagner-Mcpherson

<act@fwwatch.org>

**Sent:** Friday, June 16, 2017 12:48 PM

**To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Public Comment regarding HVHHF Review #:0001

Jun 16, 2017

Illinois Department of Natural Resources Illinois Department of Natural Resources IL

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The GREAT NEEDLESS PROVEN RISK of fracking in our state is not worth any gain. The gains would mainly be more profits for oil companies and we already have too much gas.

Please don't frack Illinois and its citizens. Let's go full force on renewable energy instead. Safe, clean and limitless....great job producer too. Thank you

Do not sacrifice the health of Illinoisans and our natural resources for a toxic industry. Please deny the Woolsey Operating Company fracked well permit.

Sincerely,

Ms. Caryn Wagner-Mcpherson



From: Caryn Wagner-Mcpherson

Sent You a Personal Message

<automail@knowwho.com>

**Sent:** Friday, June 23, 2017 2:59 PM **To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Review Number HVHHF-000001

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Fracking is unnecessary, unhealthy, dangerous and it causes massive irreversible damage. Our state and its people would be much better served by a focus on renewable energy.

Sincerely,

Caryn Wagner-Mcpherson



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From: Holly Wainwright Sent You a Personal Message

<automail@knowwho.com>

**Sent:** Saturday, June 24, 2017 11:29 PM

**To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Review Number HVHHF-000001

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Holly Wainwright



From: Paula Wajda Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>

**Sent:** Friday, June 23, 2017 6:01 PM **To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Review Number HVHHF-000001

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Sincerely,

## Paula Wajda



From: Sandra Walden

Sent: Friday, July 14, 2017 9:37 AM
To: DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Review Number (HVHHF-000001)

Importance: High

I am writing in Review Number (HVHHF-000001), we are not in favor of fracking in IL or in the U.S. due to the risk of drinking water contamination and seismic activity. We have personally experienced a pretty good earth quake in Sherman IL several years ago as we slept and it was very scary. The bed was shaking, the closet doors were banging into each other and the entire house was shaking. Fracking can increase the risk of earth quakes and contaminate our water supply. We should not be doing things that increases these risk.

Jon and Sandra Walden

From: Shaun Waldron Sent You a Personal Message

<automail@knowwho.com>

**Sent:** Friday, June 23, 2017 2:40 PM **To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Review Number HVHHF-000001

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Shaun Waldron



From: Brad Walker Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>

**Sent:** Friday, June 23, 2017 9:46 PM **To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Review Number HVHHF-000001

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Sincerely,



From: Marsha Walker

**Sent:** Monday, June 26, 2017 5:14 PM

To: DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Public Comment regarding Review #: HVHHF-000001

DNR Public Comment,

IDNR Oil and Gas Regulatory Staff,

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Marsha Walker

From: Food & Water Watch <act@fwwatch.org> on behalf of Michael Walker <act@fwwatch.org>

**Sent:** Monday, June 26, 2017 9:54 AM

**To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Public Comment regarding HVHHF Review #:000001

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Jun 26, 2017

Illinois Department of Natural Resources Illinois Department of Natural Resources IL

Dear Illinois Department of Natural Resources,

Hasn't this nation learned its lesson about Fracking yet? Pennsylvania has been devastated, while New York remains pristine. I grew up on the border and followed the fights. The gains for permitting fracking were short term, and the pollution is permanent.

I urge you to protect Illinois' natural resources and our public health and safety by denying Woolsey Operating Company LLC's well permit application (HVHHF Review #: 000001).

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Sincerely,

Mr. Michael Walker



From: Patti Walker

Sent:Tuesday, July 11, 2017 1:50 PMTo:DNR.HFPublicCommentsSubject:[External] HVHHF-000001

I am against the granting of the permit to Woolsey Operating Company, LLC based on 2 points at least.

First, since approval of HVHHF in IL, there has been evidence discovered that this process is harmful to the health of the public via air and water contamination.

Not to mention the added traffic in the rural communities along with exposure to the undesirable culture, brought with the out of state crews who will be the ones doing the bulk of the drilling in these types of production.

These new research results should be readdressed by the DNR, and until more is known about the new research results, HVHHF-000001 permit application from Woolsey Operating Company, LLC should be denied.

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Environmental impact of hydraulic fracturing

https://journalistsresource.org/studies/environment/energy/fracking-shale-gas-health-effects-research-roundup

<u>"Estrogen and Androgen Receptor Activities of Hydraulic Fracturing Chemicals and Surface and Ground Water in a Drilling-Dense Region"</u>

Kassotis, Christopher D.; Tillitt, Donald E.; Davis, J. Wade; Hormann, Annette M.; Nagel, Susan C. *Endocrinology*, December 2013. doi: 10.1210/en.2013-1697.

Abstract: "The rapid rise in natural gas extraction using hydraulic fracturing increases the potential for contamination of surface and ground water from chemicals used throughout the process. Hundreds of products containing more than 750 chemicals and components are potentially used throughout the extraction process, including more than 100 known or suspected endocrine-disrupting chemicals. We hypothesized that a selected subset of chemicals used in natural gas drilling operations and also surface and ground water samples collected in a drilling-dense region of Garfield County, Colorado, would exhibit estrogen and androgen receptor activities. Water samples were collected, solid-phase extracted, and measured for estrogen and androgen receptor activities using reporter gene assays in human cell lines. Of the 39 unique water samples, 89%, 41%, 12%, and 46% exhibited estrogenic, antiestrogenic, androgenic, and antiandrogenic activities, respectively.... The majority of water samples collected from sites in a drilling-dense region of Colorado exhibited more estrogenic, antiestrogenic, or antiandrogenic activities than reference sites with limited nearby drilling operations. Our data suggest that natural gas drilling operations may result in elevated endocrine-disrupting chemical activity in surface and ground water."

Silica Sand, effects on the residents who are not equipped with respirators <a href="https://www.osha.gov/dts/hazardalerts/hydraulic\_frac\_hazard\_alert.html">https://www.osha.gov/dts/hazardalerts/hydraulic\_frac\_hazard\_alert.html</a>

These are just a few research links. The others must be researched before IL moves forward with issuing a permit for any HVHHF.

Second, the fact that Woolsey's company could not properly apply for the permit, nor get their coordinates correct, shows their inadequacies and they would no doubt perform their drilling with equally inadequate performance.

My granddaughter lives within 3 miles of the intended site. She is only 6. I do not want her to be poisoned by a greedy, inadequate company, pumping poison into the ground in her direction. IDNR has a duty to protect the health and well being of the residents of Illinois, not provide an easy route for out of state companies to sweep in and poison our state. You all worked hard to establish the rules, but they are now outdated, before the first permit application was ever filed. Do the right thing for Illinois children, water, and quality of life for all residents, deny this permit until new research results are reviewed.



From: Food & Water Watch <act@fwwatch.org> on behalf of Patti Walker <act@fwwatch.org>

**Sent:** Thursday, June 22, 2017 3:16 PM

To: DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Public Comment regarding HVHHF Review #:000001

Jun 22, 2017

Illinois Department of Natural Resources Illinois Department of Natural Resources IL

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Ms. Patti Walker

From: Food & Water Watch <act@fwwatch.org> on behalf of Troy Walker <act@fwwatch.org>

**Sent:** Friday, June 16, 2017 2:18 PM **To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Public Comment regarding HVHHF Review #:000001

Jun 16, 2017

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It is my opinion Illinois ALREADY has ENOUGH problems that are NOT being taken care of in a "timely, professional fashion", that we do NOT need to add to the growing list!

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Sincerely,

Mr. Troy Walker

From: Sent You a Personal Message

<automail@knowwho.com>

**Sent:** Friday, June 23, 2017 4:01 PM **To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

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#### Allison Wallace



From: Food & Water Watch <act@fwwatch.org> on behalf of Ann Waller <act@fwwatch.org>

**Sent:** Saturday, June 17, 2017 8:13 AM

**To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Public Comment regarding HVHHF Review #:000001

Jun 17, 2017

Illinois Department of Natural Resources Illinois Department of Natural Resources IL

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Sincerely,

Ms. Ann Waller

From: Ann Waller Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>

**Sent:** Tuesday, June 27, 2017 11:08 AM

**To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Review Number HVHHF-000001

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#### Ann Waller



From: Kenneth Walter

Sent You a Personal Message

<automail@knowwho.com>

**Sent:** Sunday, June 25, 2017 11:24 AM

**To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Review Number HVHHF-000001

Follow Up Flag: Follow up Flag Status: Flagged

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Sincerely,

Kenneth Walter

This message was sent by KnowWho, as a service provider only, on behalf of the individual noted in the sender information.

From: Food & Water Watch <act@fwwatch.org> on behalf of Laurie Walter <act@fwwatch.org>

**Sent:** Friday, June 16, 2017 4:11 PM **To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Public Comment regarding HVHHF Review #:000001

Jun 16, 2017

Illinois Department of Natural Resources Illinois Department of Natural Resources IL

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Ms. Laurie Walter

From: Laurie Walter Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>

**Sent:** Tuesday, June 27, 2017 9:11 AM

**To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

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From: Tedd Ward Jr Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>

**Sent:** Friday, June 23, 2017 2:45 PM DNR.HFPublicComments

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Tedd Ward Jr



From: Food & Water Watch <act@fwwatch.org> on behalf of Donald Ward <act@fwwatch.org>

**Sent:** Saturday, June 17, 2017 12:49 AM

**To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Public Comment regarding HVHHF Review #:000001

Jun 17, 2017

Illinois Department of Natural Resources Illinois Department of Natural Resources IL

Dear Illinois Department of Natural Resources,

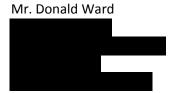
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From: Jane Ward Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>

**Sent:** Thursday, July 20, 2017 10:41 AM

**To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Review Number HVHHF-000001

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Jane Ward



From: Food & Water Watch <act@fwwatch.org> on behalf of Madison McMahon Ward

<act@fwwatch.org>

**Sent:** Friday, June 23, 2017 6:48 AM **To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Public Comment regarding HVHHF Review #:000001

Jun 23, 2017

Illinois Department of Natural Resources Illinois Department of Natural Resources IL

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Sincerely,

Ms. Madison McMahon Ward



From: Maria Ward Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>

**Sent:** Friday, June 23, 2017 5:26 PM **To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

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Sincerely,



From: Patricia Ward Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>

**Sent:** Sunday, June 25, 2017 7:57 AM

**To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Review Number HVHHF-000001

Follow Up Flag: Follow up Flag Status: Flagged

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From: Terrence Ward Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>

**Sent:** Friday, June 23, 2017 5:49 PM **To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Review Number HVHHF-000001

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**Terrence Ward** 



From: Food & Water Watch <act@fwwatch.org> on behalf of Donald Ward <act@fwwatch.org>

**Sent:** Saturday, June 17, 2017 12:49 AM

**To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Public Comment regarding HVHHF Review #:000001

Jun 17, 2017

Illinois Department of Natural Resources Illinois Department of Natural Resources IL

Dear Illinois Department of Natural Resources,

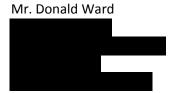
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Sincerely,



From: Food & Water Watch <act@fwwatch.org> on behalf of Mary Ann Ware <act@fwwatch.org>

**Sent:** Saturday, June 17, 2017 12:12 AM

To: DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Public Comment regarding HVHHF Review #:000001

Jun 17, 2017

Illinois Department of Natural Resources Illinois Department of Natural Resources IL

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Sincerely,

Mrs. Mary Ann Ware

From: Mary Ann Ware

Sent You a Personal Message

<automail@knowwho.com>

**Sent:** Saturday, June 24, 2017 1:19 AM

**To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Review Number HVHHF-000001

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This message was sent by KnowWho, as a service provider only, on behalf of the individual noted in the sender information.

From: Food & Water Watch <act@fwwatch.org> on behalf of amy Warner <act@fwwatch.org>

**Sent:** Saturday, June 17, 2017 9:43 AM

**To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Public Comment regarding HVHHF Review #:000001

Jun 17, 2017

Illinois Department of Natural Resources Illinois Department of Natural Resources IL

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Sincerely,

Mrs. amy Warner

From: Food & Water Watch <act@fwwatch.org> on behalf of Nadine Warner <act@fwwatch.org>

**Sent:** Monday, June 19, 2017 12:17 AM

**To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Public Comment regarding HVHHF Review #:000001

Jun 19, 2017

Illinois Department of Natural Resources Illinois Department of Natural Resources IL

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Dr. Nadine Warner

From: Lisa Warren Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>

Sent: Saturday, June 24, 2017 3:03 PM

**To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Review Number HVHHF-000001

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From: Mary Warren Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>

**Sent:** Friday, June 23, 2017 6:20 PM **To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Review Number HVHHF-000001

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#### Mary Warren



From: Megan Warren

<automail@knowwho.com>

**Sent:** Friday, June 23, 2017 3:20 PM **To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

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#### Megan Warren



From: Sharon Warsaski Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>

**Sent:** Friday, June 23, 2017 3:03 PM **To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

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Sincerely,

Sharon Warsaski



From: Food & Water Watch <act@fwwatch.org> on behalf of Lauren Washington <act@fwwatch.org>

**Sent:** Tuesday, June 20, 2017 8:42 PM

**To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Public Comment regarding HVHHF Review #:000001

Jun 20, 2017

Illinois Department of Natural Resources Illinois Department of Natural Resources IL

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Sincerely,

Miss Lauren Washington

From: Vonn Washington Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>

**Sent:** Monday, June 26, 2017 7:16 AM

**To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Review Number HVHHF-000001

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Sincerely,

Vonn Washington



From: Food & Water Watch <act@fwwatch.org> on behalf of Megan Wasoba <act@fwwatch.org>

**Sent:** Tuesday, June 27, 2017 5:09 PM

**To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Public Comment regarding HVHHF Review #:000001

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Jun 27, 2017

Illinois Department of Natural Resources Illinois Department of Natural Resources IL

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Mrs. Megan Wasoba

From: Vivian J Watkins Sent You a Personal Message

<automail@knowwho.com>

**Sent:** Friday, June 23, 2017 3:33 PM **To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Review Number HVHHF-000001

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Vivian J Watkins



From: Food & Water Watch <act@fwwatch.org> on behalf of Kathleen Watterlohn <act@fwwatch.org>

**Sent:** Saturday, July 01, 2017 11:49 AM

**To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Public Comment regarding HVHHF Review #:000001

Jul 1, 2017

Illinois Department of Natural Resources Illinois Department of Natural Resources IL

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Sincerely,

Ms. Kathleen Watterlohn

From: Regina Watts Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>

**Sent:** Friday, June 23, 2017 12:16 PM **To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Review Number HVHHF-000001

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# Regina Watts



From: Linda Waycie Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>

**Sent:** Saturday, June 24, 2017 2:53 PM

**To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Review Number HVHHF-000001

Follow Up Flag: Follow up Flag Status: Flagged

Dear Illinois Department of Natural Resources,

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We are moving ahead with lots of solar and wind business in IL. We don't need fracking! Look at Oklahoma and the fracking that is going on there! A side result is all the earthquakes that are happening as the underground gets disturbed.

Thank you for your attention to my comments. Illinois DNR should reject the company's inadequate permit application that fails to protect our health and environment.

Sincerely,

Linda Waycie



**From:** Bonnie Wayman-Dodd

Sent You a Personal Message

<automail@knowwho.com>

**Sent:** Friday, June 23, 2017 11:32 PM

**To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Review Number HVHHF-000001

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Bonnie Wayman-Dodd



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From: James Weaver Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>

**Sent:** Friday, June 23, 2017 8:48 PM **To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Review Number HVHHF-000001

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James Weaver



**From:** Sherry Weaver

Sent You a Personal Message

<automail@knowwho.com>

**Sent:** Friday, June 23, 2017 8:46 PM **To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

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Sherry Weaver

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**From:** stephanie weaver

**Sent:** Thursday, July 27, 2017 1:22 PM

To: DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Review Number (HVHHF-000001)

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Dear Illinois DNR:

As a citizen of Illinois I am writing to protest the Woolsey application for fracking in our state for the following reasons.

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- Failure to preserve topsoil and an inadequate storm water management plan
- Deficient surface and groundwater sampling
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Sincerely, Stephanie Weaver

From: Toni Weaver Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>

**Sent:** Friday, June 23, 2017 6:38 PM **To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Review Number HVHHF-000001

Dear Illinois Department of Natural Resources,

#### Governor Rauner,

Please reflect upon how the State of Oklahoma has experienced an exponential increase in the number of earthquakes since fracking began in that state. Southern IL already has an active fault line. Do we really want to do anything that might add to the stress along this line?

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Toni Weaver



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From: Douglas Weber Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>

**Sent:** Saturday, June 24, 2017 8:21 AM

**To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

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From: Food & Water Watch <act@fwwatch.org> on behalf of John Weber <act@fwwatch.org>

**Sent:** Friday, June 16, 2017 12:48 PM

**To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Public Comment regarding HVHHF Review #:0001

Jun 16, 2017

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Sincerely,

Mr. John Weber

From: John Weber

**Sent:** Monday, June 26, 2017 9:23 PM

To: DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Public Comment regarding Review #: HVHHF-000001

DNR Public Comment,

IDNR Oil and Gas Regulatory Staff,

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John Weber

From: Food & Water Watch <act@fwwatch.org> on behalf of Laura Weber <act@fwwatch.org>

**Sent:** Saturday, June 17, 2017 2:49 AM

**To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Public Comment regarding HVHHF Review #:000001

Jun 17, 2017

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Sincerely,

Mrs. Laura Weber

From: Meredith Weber <info@actionnetwork.org>

**Sent:** Friday, June 23, 2017 12:56 PM

**To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

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Oil & Gas Regulatory Staff,

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Meredith Weber

From: Food & Water Watch <act@fwwatch.org> on behalf of John Weber <act@fwwatch.org>

**Sent:** Saturday, June 17, 2017 9:43 AM

**To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

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From: Food & Water Watch <act@fwwatch.org> on behalf of Cindy Weber-Han <act@fwwatch.org>

**Sent:** Friday, June 16, 2017 6:42 PM **To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

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Jun 16, 2017

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Sincerely,

Ms. Cindy Weber-Han

From: Nancy Weck Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>

**Sent:** Saturday, June 24, 2017 2:40 PM

**To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Review Number HVHHF-000001

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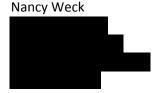
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From: Food & Water Watch <act@fwwatch.org> on behalf of Elonna Weigel <act@fwwatch.org>

**Sent:** Friday, June 16, 2017 5:41 PM **To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Public Comment regarding HVHHF Review #:000001

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Ms. Elonna Weigel

From: Sally Weigel Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>

**Sent:** Friday, June 23, 2017 2:12 PM DNR.HFPublicComments

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From: Food & Water Watch <act@fwwatch.org> on behalf of Steve Weinshel <act@fwwatch.org>

**Sent:** Friday, June 16, 2017 12:41 PM

**To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

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Mr. Steve Weinshel

From: Marc Wiescinski Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>

**Sent:** Monday, June 26, 2017 9:34 AM

**To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

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From: Food & Water Watch <act@fwwatch.org> on behalf of Margo Weitzman <act@fwwatch.org>

**Sent:** Friday, June 16, 2017 1:11 PM **To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

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Sincerely,

Ms. Margo Weitzman

From: Jason Welch

**Sent:** Wednesday, June 21, 2017 11:08 AM

**To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] AATN: Oil and Gas Regulatory Staff pertaining to Review No. HVHHF-000001

Final ground water reports have found nothing to suggest that fracking is a serious risk to groundwater. The Impacts to groundwater identified by the report were attributable to activities not exclusive to fracking. No fewer than 18 reputable studies, including 7 by governmental agencies have concluded that fracking is not a significant threat to drinking water. The USGS has stated that fracking is not causing most of the induced earthquakes in the United States. No injections in Illinois related to fracking cause any seismicity, only high volume, deep waste water injections, under specific circimstances can cause such seismicity. Majority of scientific research stated by environmental activists fail to take actual measurement to support their conclusions and lack of evidence of causation.



From: Robert Weld Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>

Sent: Saturday, June 24, 2017 5:25 PM

**To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

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From: Food & Water Watch <act@fwwatch.org> on behalf of Charles Wellman <act@fwwatch.org>

**Sent:** Sunday, June 25, 2017 9:52 AM

**To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Public Comment regarding HVHHF Review #:000001

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From: Food & Water Watch <act@fwwatch.org> on behalf of Teresa Wellman <act@fwwatch.org>

**Sent:** Sunday, June 25, 2017 10:25 PM

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Mrs. Teresa Wellman

From: Food & Water Watch <act@fwwatch.org> on behalf of Brian Wells <act@fwwatch.org>

**Sent:** Friday, June 16, 2017 1:11 PM **To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

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From: Food & Water Watch <act@fwwatch.org> on behalf of Holly Wells <act@fwwatch.org>

**Sent:** Sunday, June 18, 2017 11:22 AM

**To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

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Ms. Holly Wells

From: Holly Wells <info@actionnetwork.org>

**Sent:** Friday, June 23, 2017 6:34 PM **To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

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Holly Wells

From: Holly Wells Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>

**Sent:** Friday, June 23, 2017 6:30 PM **To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

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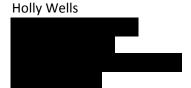
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From: Charles Welsh Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>

**Sent:** Tuesday, June 27, 2017 7:43 AM

**To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

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#### **Charles Welsh**



From: Lauren Welsh <info@actionnetwork.org>

**Sent:** Friday, June 23, 2017 4:28 PM **To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

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Lauren Welsh

From: Food & Water Watch <act@fwwatch.org> on behalf of Diane Wemple <act@fwwatch.org>

**Sent:** Monday, June 19, 2017 7:19 PM

**To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

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Jun 19, 2017

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Ms. Diane Wemple

From: John Wenmes <info@actionnetwork.org>

**Sent:** Sunday, June 25, 2017 12:50 PM

**To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

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John Wenmes

From: Food & Water Watch <act@fwwatch.org> on behalf of Gwenna Weshinskey <act@fwwatch.org>

**Sent:** Saturday, June 17, 2017 4:50 AM

**To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Public Comment regarding HVHHF Review #:000001

Jun 17, 2017

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From: Walt

**Sent:** Tuesday, July 25, 2017 7:44 PM

To: DNR.HFPublicComments
Cc: sr.joan@ololchurch.com
Subject: [External] HVHHF #000001

If you care for the future of this state and you understand the negative impact fracking has proven to cause, you cannot allow any permit to frack anywhere in this state.

The terrible waste fracking does to drinking water should be enough to stop any permit from being issued. In addition the methane released into our atmosphere only adds to Climate Change. Now environmental scientists are indicating we need to start sweeping Co2 from our environment since our efforts to limit the release of Co2 won't be enough to save our environment.

If you issue this permit, HVHHF #000001, you only add to the environmental crisis we face.

Finally, the only people who benefit from fracking in Illinois are the oil company's. We have plenty of natural gas as it is. This is not green energy. STOP!

HVHHF #000001

From: Walt

**Sent:** Monday, June 26, 2017 3:47 PM

**To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Fracking

You may find all the natural gas you want, but you will destroy our fresh water. If you destroy our fresh water you won't have any need for the natural gas. The permit must be denied now!

From: Debra wesselmann

Sent You a Personal Message

<automail@knowwho.com>

**Sent:** Saturday, June 24, 2017 10:33 AM

**To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Review Number HVHHF-000001

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Debra wesselmann



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From: Food & Water Watch <act@fwwatch.org> on behalf of Alice West <act@fwwatch.org>

**Sent:** Monday, June 19, 2017 8:54 AM

**To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

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Jun 19, 2017

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Ms. Alice West

From: Food & Water Watch <act@fwwatch.org> on behalf of Eloise West <act@fwwatch.org>

**Sent:** Friday, June 16, 2017 10:42 PM

**To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

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Ms. Eloise West

From: Food & Water Watch <act@fwwatch.org> on behalf of Meredith West <act@fwwatch.org>

**Sent:** Friday, June 16, 2017 1:18 PM **To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

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Ms. Meredith West

From: Sarah Westbrook Sent You a Personal Message

<automail@knowwho.com>

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Sarah Westbrook



From: Carol Westerman-Jones Sent You a Personal Message

<automail@knowwho.com>

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**To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

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Sincerely,

Carol Westerman-Jones



From: Bea

Sent:Friday, July 28, 2017 1:45 PMTo:DNR.HFPublicCommentsSubject:[External] HVHHF #000001

### HVHHF #000001

I am writing on behalf of ONE Northside and Fair Economy Illinois regarding the The Woolsey application for a High Volume Hydraulic Fracturing Permit.

The Woolsey application is woefully inadequate. There were overarching generalities and deficiencies in the application, not to mention problems where information was actually provided.

We continue to have a concern regarding Woolsey's capability to adhere to the letter or spirit of the Hydraulic Fracturing Regulatory Act (HFRA). They clearly demonstrated their inability to complete a full and complete initial application to engage in high volume horizontal fracking. They were essentially given an "open book" test with the passage of the HFRA and have demonstrated they still can't pass that test without extensive help on the part of the Department, the environmental community and the public through written comments. We believe they have demonstrated that they lack both the capacity and willingness to comply with the law. As such, we assert that they should not be granted a permit to engage in fracking in the state of Illinois.

Sincerely,
Bea Westrate
ONE Northside/Fair Economy Illinois

## **COMMENTS**

Specific comments included below reference the documents contained in the Woolsey Permit Application HVHHF-000001 and are in relation to the regulations outlined in the Hydraulic Fracturing Regulatory Act, 225 ILCS 732, unless otherwise indicated.

### **COMMENTS**

Directional Drilling Plan- Document 3

- 1. Directional Drilling Plan- The drilling lengths and depths submitted in the Plan do not match the depth in the scaled cross-section. There is also a discrepancy in angle of the non-vertical portion of the wellbore. If Woolsey cannot provide accurate information in their application, how can we trust them to drill in our state? Underground Freshwater Information- Document 4
- 2. Inadequate Determination of Underground Freshwater No Geological Survey Data submitted- Section 245.210(a)(5) requires reference to the Illinois State Geological Survey with regard to its proposed drilling. This is critical to insure that freshwater will not be contaminated. Woolsey has failed to provide this information.
- 3. Inadequate Evidence to Establish the Lowest Potential Fresh Water Again, Woolsey has failed to provide this information. As such a clear potential exists that fresh water could exist below the drilling depth in a lower formation.

**HVHHF Operations Plan - Document 5** 

4. Failure to Clearly Identify Formation to be Stimulated - The permit fails to clearly identify the formation that will be stimulated or fracked by the operation other than to state that the "drilling objective" is the New

Albany Shale but later refers to the "objective" being the "Grassy Creek" shale and, later still, describes the "reservoir zone", and the Semier Shale as the "frac barrier." These terms are not synonymous and therefore both confusing and inadequate.

- 5. Failure to Clearly Identify the Confining Zone Section 245.210(a)(6) requires the Applicant to specifically identify and describe the formation or formations that constitute the "confining zone" for the proposed well. The application fails to meet this requirement. In fact, it fails to use this term at all in its application.
- 6. Missing Data There is no information, data, or calculations supplied on either a micro-seismic study or the "historic" use to support whether the identification of the "frac barriers" is technically sound. The application contains no information on which a reliable conclusion can be reliably drawn regarding a confining zone or "frac barrier" and the Application is therefore inadequate and must be denied.
- 7. Confusing Data- The Role of the Selmier Shale is listed as both a "drilling objective" and a "frac barrier" (confining zone?) in the application. It cannot serve two purposes. It is either a drilling objective or a confining zone.
- 8. Inadequate Information- Fracturing Pressure- The fracturing pressure of the "producing zone" is given as 2,875 psi. Yet three separate formations are mentioned as "drilling objectives." The same psi for all three would not be used.
- 9. Missing Data- Surface Training Pressure Range- This information is entirely missing.
- 10. No information on the Vertical Propagation of Fractures One of the most important safety features established in the Hydraulic Fracturing Regulatory Act is the requirement that the susceptibility for vertical propagation of fractures in the confining zone and the formations contributing to that zone, are accurately determined and stated in the application, Section 245.210(a)(6)(A). The Document completely fails to satisfy this safeguard. The singular sentence it does provide fails to articulate a conclusion that the well plans are adequate and effective. On this basis alone, the permit should be denied.
- 11. Missing Data-No information on extent, water or water source, is provided for any formation and no thickness information is provided for the three formations constituting the New Albany Shale.
- 12. Data on Transmissive Faults Lacking The potential for transmissive faults contiguous to HVHHF wells is a major public health and safety concern and is therefore a specific requirement for analysis in Section 245.210(a)(6)(A). However, no specific information or reliable analysis on this important feature is provided in the Document. No information on the scope, lateral extent, depth or sophistication of this survey is provided.

### Chemical Disclosure Report- Document 7

- 13. Chemical Disclosure Plan The Document explicitly states that no trade secrecy claim will be made in connection with the chemicals proposed for use in the Application. That assertion is untrue. The Chemical and Proppant List includes the Corrosion Inhibitor Cronox AK-50 and six of its constituent chemicals supplied by vendor Baker Hughes. However, Section 3 of the Safety Data Sheet for Cronox AK-50 on
- "Composition/Information on Ingredients" lists ten constituent chemicals. The four chemicals in Cronox AK-50 that Applicant fails to identify in its Chemical and Proppant List:
- 1) Oxyalkylated alkylphenol (10-20% of total mixture),
- 2) Fatty acids (5-10% of total mixture),
- 3) Complex alkylaryl polyo-ester (5-10% of total mixture) and
- 4) Acetylenic alcohol (1-5% of total mixture).

All four of these constituent chemicals have their Chemical Abstract Service Number concealed on the Safety Data Sheet for the stated reason of "Trade Secret."

# Water Source Management Plan- Document 9

14. Failure to Propose Methods to Minimize Water Withdrawals One of the most important public safeguards of the Hydraulic Fracturing Regulatory Act is the mandate in Section 1-35(b)(10)(C) that an applicant must specify in the Application's Water Source Management Plan: "the methods to be used to minimize water withdrawals as much as feasible." This requirement is carried over directly into Section 245.210(a)(10)(A)(iv). To meet the literal wording of this statement requires that the Applicant consider a reasonable range of methods to reduce its water consumption and select those withdrawal minimization methods and alternatives that are appropriate to its proposed operation. Not only do the rules specifically require consideration of minimization alternatives, but an Application should also satisfy the "reasonable use" doctrine of groundwater use adopted in the Illinois Water Use Act of 1983 at 525 ILCS 45/6 ("The rule of "reasonable use" shall apply to groundwater withdrawals in the State.") that reasonable use does not include water used "wastefully," 525 ILCS 45/4.

The Applicant's Water Source Management Plan completely ignores these requirements. It fails to indicate a reasonable set of methods that it will employ to minimize groundwater withdrawals and, even worse, fails to indicate that the applicant undertook any effort at all to consider minimizing its water use in designing its operations.

This is a special concern in this Application where the Applicant proposes to utilize its own water wells and does not have the disincentive of paying on a per-gallon basis or having transportation costs to limit overconsumption. Further supporting this concern is the fact that the Applicant's proposed operations appear to be especially wasteful in its proposed water use. The Water Source Management Plan proposes to use a total of 7,500,000 gallons of local groundwater in its treatment operations. This quantity is a full 50% greater than what the Department itself considers to be the "most commonly reliable figure" for a HVHHF of from "4.4 to 5 million gallons per well."

No justification is given by the Applicant for this exceptionally large water use or why it should not be deemed wasteful in violation of Illinois' reasonable use doctrine for groundwater withdrawals. Such exceptionally large water consumption is particularly significant in White County, as this water will be removed from three (3) groundwater wells located in fairly shallow sand and gravel aquifers that can be rapidly depleted. Illinois has already had two significant droughts in the last 10 years. The Woolsey application indicates it plans on withdrawing the bulk of its water in the summer months when drought conditions and aquifer depletion are at their highest.

The Applicant's failure to address its minimization duty is further compounded by its apparent failure to consider use of recycled water for its operation. Its only consideration of recycled water use is a single sentence in its Water Source Management Plan that "Backflow will not commence until injection in all frac stages has been completed, thus there will be no opportunity for use of recycled water in the hydraulic fracture completion."

Concern about the inadequacy of Applicant's efforts to minimize water use is further reinforced by plan's only stated "method" for avoiding the wasting of water, i.e., that it will limit the

potential for leakage on-site through the use of piping rather than trucking and keeping the piping limited in length. This claim is far too insubstantial to meet the General Assembly's intention for an effective effort at water minimization; this is a basic design consideration that is only being puffed up to masquerade as genuine water conservation efforts. Indeed, if leak management was seriously intended, there would be a leak prevention and management plan put in place. There is none.

The only way that the Applicant can satisfy its duty of "reasonable use" of the state's groundwater and the regulatory requirement to "minimize water withdrawals as much as feasible" is to undertake a review of alternatives and to use the one that utilizes the least water, provided there is no adequately supported

business reason to use a more wasteful alternative. Nothing in the Document indicates that such an effort has been undertaken. The Application therefore cannot be approved because the Applicant has not shown that its efforts at minimizing water use are adequate and effective.

Because of the failure to address any methods or alternatives to minimize its water usage, the application must be denied for the failure to meet the requirements for Water Source Management Plans. If the Plan would be approved on this basis, the practical result would be to write the minimization requirement of Section 1-35(b)(10)(C) of the Act out of the state's statutes and to lose all its intended benefits for the people of Illinois, especially the farmers of White County.

15. Will there be a Fourth Well Drilled by the Applicant on Site- The Applicant's Water Source Management Plan explicitly provides that it will involve three water wells to supply 7,500,000 gallons of water for the base fluid of the hydraulic fracturing operation. However, the Applicant's Water Quality Monitoring Plan (Document 21) contains the following statement on page 7:

The water sources included under this plan include both underground aquifers (one existing and 3 proposed HVHHF water supply wells) and a surface water body (a stock pond). A fourth potentially required water supply well may be drilled, and, if completed, will be included in this monitoring program. (emphasis added) Apparently, Woolsey does not intend to be bound by its Water Source Management Plan and reserves discretion to modify it for its own undisclosed purposes in a manner that might increase its already high levels of water consumption. However, the clear intent of the Hydraulic Fracturing Regulatory Act is to make these plans binding. Accordingly, the Department should require that the reference highlighted above to a possible fourth well be deleted from the Water Quality Monitoring Plan and the Applicant expressly limited to the three wells proposed in the Water Source Management Plan, provided a valid consideration of minimization methods and alternatives does not reduce that number even further (see previous comment). Hydraulic Fracturing Fluids and Flowback Plan- Document 10

16. Inadequate information on Fracturing Fluids- The Applicant's Hydraulic Fracturing Fluids and Flowback Plan contains barely a full page of information and either completely neglects or is patently vague on numerous items of required information. Equally unacceptable, it contains no supporting information for the conclusory statements it does make. Specifically, none of the information required by paragraph (b) of the Department's form regarding fracturing fluid is provided as the only information stated in the Applicant's plan is on flowback. Accordingly, the Application is incomplete and must be returned to the Applicant to provide the paragraph (b)

required information on "injection schedule, flow rate, reuse volume, storage, any treatment and total volume in detail."

- 17. Unrealistic Rate of Flowback Recovery Proposed- The application states an anticipated 4-5,000 barrels of flowback will be recovered but fails to give information on how this number was calculated. The number proposed in the application is 2.8% of the total estimated to be utilized. This is substantially less (5.4 to 7.1 times less) than the average amount of flowback highlighted by the Ohio DNR for fracking, which is 15-20% of the total volume used. If the Ohio numbers are correct, Woolsey will have dramatically underestimated it's needs for storage capacity and transport. Woolsey must be required to quantify how it arrived at its numbers or be denied a permit on this basis.
- 18. Inadequate Information on Storage Tanks- The application states that the storage tanks will meet the qualities for the "purpose built." There is no identification as to the number of storage tanks, which will be critical in light of the above comment, nor is there information on the rate/frequency for emptying the tanks. These are all inadequate.
- 19. No Testing Plan for Flowback Water- This is required by law but missing in the application. This is such a critical feature that the permit application should be denied on this basis alone.

20. Use of Earthen Containment Berms- The plan states that the flowback storage tanks will be "enclosed by earthen containment berms which will be of sufficient size to contain all of the possible flow back fluid temporary storage volume." No information is provided regarding the engineering properties or layout of these earthen berms. Earthen berms are inadequate for site containment. And, s identified in previous comments, if the flowback calculation is closer to Ohio DNR's numbers, the storage proposed will be completely inadequate.

### Wellsite Safety Plan- Document 11

- 21. No Clarity for NORM Sampling to Undefined "Black Shale"- Section 3.2.10 of the Wellsite Safety Plan addresses Naturally Occurring Radioactive Material ("NORM"). This section limits the drill cuttings to be tested for radioactivity to "black shale." Although this phrase is used in the regulations, it is not defined there or in the Safety Plan, nor at any other point in the Application. Accordingly, what is considered the "black shale" subject to this testing requirement is unspecified. The Plan should therefore be amended to identify the specific geologic formations that the Applicant considers to be "black shale," in the vicinity of its proposed well, including the formation depth, so the extent of sampling will be clear.
- 22. Safety Considerations of the General Public- There is virtually no consideration given to the safety of members of the general public that may be in the site's vicinity. This is unacceptable and a permit should be denied on this basis.

### Containment Plan- Document 12

23. The Containment Plan is completely inadequate. It fails to provide specific information on capacity and design. Please see previous comments on the inadequacy of the "earthen containment berms and the lack of specificity in the number of containment tanks especially in light of the (probably) underestimated amount of flowback.

### Casing and Cementing Plan- Document 13

24. Missing Information in the Casing and Cementing Plan- The casing and cementing plan does not address the requirements labeled in Document 13 regarding the potential for earthquakes. The application is therefore incomplete and must either be amended by the applicant or denied by IDNR. Furthermore, the casing and cementing plan is completely inadequate to meet Illinois'

regulations. It does not include the detail required by the HFRA and cannot be approved without this critical information.

### Traffic Management Plan- Document 14

25. Traffic Avoidance of the Wabash River- The application plan fails to address the need to avoid road traffic of hazardous materials in proximity to the Wabash River, a public water supply source.

### Proof of Insurance-Document 18

26. The Certificate of insurance is insufficient to meet the requirements set by the HFRA and should be denied on that basis.

### Failure to Specify Earthquake or Floodplain Hazard

27. Specification of Earthquake area or floodplain missing or inadequate- The Department's form requires the applicant to identify whether the insured wellsite location is in a define earthquake area or a regulatory floodplain. The Application meets neither requirement.

## Topsoil Preservation Plan- Document 19

28. Topsoil Plan Inadequate- The Department's form requires that the Topsoil Preservation Plan must be provided with "detail." ("Please detail the plan to stockpile, stabilize . . . any topsoil and subsoil ..."). No information is provided as to the amount of soil (top or sub) that will be stockpiled. The level of negligible detail that IS provided, seems more like an effort to expend the least possible effort and expense in handling the soil by just spreading it around the site. Accordingly, it does not appear to be a "preservation" plan at all given this lack of detail.

# Water Quality Monitoring Plan

- 29. Inadequate Water Quality Monitoring Plan- The HFRA section governing Water Quality Monitoring is over six pages in length and is specific as to what is required in an approvable plan. The applicant plan is completely inadequate in addressing everything required for in the HFRA. For example, the applicant's monitoring plan does not identify a single specific sampling point. Similarly the groundwater section is also generic. This is unacceptable and the application should be denied on this basis.
- 30. Data Analysis Procedure Plan Inadequate- The laboratory tests require an interpretation of the test results and for that purpose, the Applicant concludes its Water Quality Monitoring Plan with a section titled "Data Analysis Procedures." The Section is completely generic and does not actually provide such analytic procedures, thus rendering the Application incomplete. Instead of supplying an actual data analysis plan, the Applicant merely states that "the method to be used under this plan is based on (emphasis added) U.S. EPA methodology established for the assessment of contaminants in environmental samples, and is described in Chapter 9 of U.S. EPA publication 846. We plan to use a data analysis plan based on that methodology." Accordingly, no plan is proposed that can be evaluated during the public comment period and the Application is incomplete. There is no valid reason why such a plan cannot be presented for comment now. Without it, the application must be denied.
- 31. Water Quality Monitoring Work Plan is not "independent"- The "Water Quality Monitoring Work Plan" calls for an "independent third party" to collect and sample water to establish baseline measurements of water quality and quantity. The Water Quality Monitoring Work Plan also tasks an "independent third party" to collect and sample water for years into the future. The Water Quality Monitoring Work Plan application states Shawnee Professional Services will
- collect water samples to establish baseline measurements. The Water Quality Monitoring Work Plan application also states Shawnee Professional Services will collect water samples for years into the future. There can be no greater public interest than the monitoring of water quality & quantity. The public must depend on IDNR to protect its interests. Shawnee Professional Services has a conflict of interest. Mitch Garret owner of Shawnee Professional Services was a founder of a pro fracking group formed in Johnson County to fight the non binding resolution "A Community Bill of Rights" in the spring of 2014. The pro fracking group felt so threatened by the non binding "A Community Bill of Rights" resolution that one of its first acts was to "convince" The Vienna Times newspaper, three weeks prior to the vote, to refuse all anti fracking advertisement, articles and letters to the editor. To leave the ultimate "public interest" in the hands of a company owned by Mitch Garret is to not understand the meaning of independent third party. Radioactive Materials Management- Document 25
- 32. Lack of Clarification on "Black Shale" subject to sampling- As stated in the previous comments under Document 11, the Wellsite Safety Plan, the phrase "black shale" is not defined in the regulations and the extent of sampling thereof is uncertain. Please confirm what geologic formations you consider to be in the "black shale" that will be tested pursuant to this requirement.
- 33. Need to Clarify If Filters Will Be Used and Tested for Radioactivity.- One of the most serious sources for radioactive contamination is from filters used at hydraulic fracturing sites and disposal sites. No mention is made of filters in the Application or of the specific type of equipment to be used on-site. The Applicant must state whether any filters will be utilized on-site and if so, how they will be managed.

### **Bond-Document 27**

34. Insufficient bond- The bond amount identified in the application is in the amount of \$50,000 which is the amount for a single well, not a blanket bond. In the approximate center of the bond is a box captioned with: "ONLY COMPLETE IF BOND IS FOR INDIVIDUAL WELL OR PERMIT." The information to be entered in this box for an individual well gives locational and identifying information for the well covered, but the Applicant fails to provide any of that information. The Applicant must either provide a new Bond with this information or provide an explanation for why the Bond is incomplete and does not identify the well addressed in the Application.

Section 09 Water Source Management Plan

(f) Identify the methods to be used to minimize impact to aquatic life.

Comment: Woolsey reports that they anticipate injecting 7.5 million gallons of Frac fluid in part (d) of this section. But their onsite capacity for flowback is identified as 126,000 gallons. How can 7.5 million gallons come back as 126,000? Woolsey has no back up plan if this storage capacity proves too small.

(g) Identify the methods to be used to minimize withdrawals as much as feasible.

Comment: Woolsey states that it is "not in the interest of the applicant to overuse water in the HVHHF process" but it nowhere in their comments do they explain the methods it will use to minimize withdrawals. One of the most important public safeguards of the Hydraulic Fracturing

Regulatory Act is the mandate in Section 1-35(b)(10)(C) that an applicant must specify in the Application's Water Source Management Plan: "the methods to be used to minimize water withdrawals as much as feasible." This requirement is carried over directly into Section 245.210(a)(10)(A)(iv). To meet the literal wording of this statement requires that the Applicant consider a reasonable range of methods to reduce its water consumption and select those withdrawal minimization methods and alternatives that are appropriate to its proposed operation. Not only do the rules specifically require consideration of minimization alternatives, but an Application should also satisfy the "reasonable use" doctrine of groundwater use adopted in the Illinois Water Use Act of 1983 at 525 ILCS 45/6 ("The rule of "reasonable use" shall apply to groundwater withdrawals in the State.") that reasonable use does not include water used "wastefully," 525 ILCS 45/4.

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Section 11 Well Site Safety Plan

The Schematic of Well Pad & HVHHF Flow Back Operations in Figure 2.1 shows 3 flow back fluid storage tanks. By contrast, the Water Source Management Plan lists 6 flow back fluid storage tanks, each with a 21,000 gallon capacity. If the schematic correct, on site storage for flow back fluid is reduced to 63,000 gallons.

- · Comments and Questions:
- o Which is correct?
- o Regardless of which is correct, see the comment made in section 9(f). When Woolsey anticipates 7.5 million gallons of frac fluid, have they demonstrated that their proposed flowback storage is adequate? o Figure 2-4: Site Waterways Setback on Page 14 states it is 3700' to the nearest perennial stream. The original Well Site Setback plan illustrates at least 5 "non-perennial streams". Who designates these streams as "non-perennial" and what precautions is Woolsey proposing to ensure safety regarding these streams? Page 117 of the 164 page Well Site Safety Plan has a table listing examples of "Permissible Heat Exposure TLV" (Threshold Limit Values).
- · Comment/Question: Will adequate personnel be on duty at all appropriate times to accommodate this schedule?

Concerning Attachment E: Fugitive Dust Control Plan:

Comments/Questions:

- · Note: There are multiple mentions of "observed", "substantial fugitive dust". Is there a definition of "substantial fugitive dust"?
- · Section 2.7 "Dust Control On Paved Roads" What provisions have been made to ensure the "Wheel Wash" they describe will be installed and monitored at the location named?

Section 2.10 "Control of Other Air Emissions": Under the heading "Appropriate emission", it states that "Low-Sulfur Diesel will be used when possible."

### Comment/Question:

· Who and what determines when it is possible? IDNR should require they burn Low - Sulfur Diesel at all times. Availability is not an issue.

Section 12: The Containment Plan

Page 2 of this section states: "During flow back operations the tanks located within the area of the wellsite will also be surrounded by a dike capable of holding 150% of the total volume of the single largest container or tank within a common secondary containment area. The secondary containment will be inspected as required by 245.820."

## Comment:

• The potential volume of flow back fluid should be the determinate of dyke size, not the volume of any single container on site to temporarily hold flow back fluids.

Section 12: Casing & Cementing Plan

Page 2 of this section states: "Prior to setting and cementing of the casing the IDNR's District Office will be contacted by phone and electronic mail of the planned operation to enable an inspector to be present."

### Comments/Questions

- · Will IDNR have an inspector present?
- · How will this be documented?

The Woolsey addendum goes on to state: "Pursuant to 245.550, prior to drilling out the casing shoe, a Blow Out Preventer (BOP) shall be installed on the well by certified personal" (sic). "Prior to testing the BOP, IDNR's

District Office will be contacted by phone and electronic mail of the planned operation to enable an inspector to be present when the tests are performed.

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# Comments/Questions

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On page 3 of this section, the addendum states: "Prior to testing the casing the IDNR's District Office will be contacted by phone and electronic mail of the planned operation to enable an inspector to be present. The casing will be tested using brine to fill the casing and pressure tested to 70% of its minimum internal yield for 30 minutes.

# Comments/Questions:

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Section 16: Public Notice

Page 1 of this section states: "If necessary, a public hearing is scheduled for the 02 day of August, 2017...."

## Comments/Questions:

- · Who determines if it is "necessary"?
- · Who will be allowed to testify? What type of testimony will be allowed?
- · Are there parameters in place for such a hearing? If yes, What are they?

From: Christopher Wheal Sent You a Personal Message

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**Sent:** Friday, June 23, 2017 2:43 PM **To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Review Number HVHHF-000001

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Sincerely,

**Christopher Wheal** 



From: Food & Water Watch <act@fwwatch.org> on behalf of Martha Wheeler <act@fwwatch.org>

**Sent:** Friday, June 16, 2017 1:18 PM **To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Public Comment regarding HVHHF Review #:0001

Jun 16, 2017

Illinois Department of Natural Resources Illinois Department of Natural Resources IL

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Sincerely,

Ms. Martha Wheeler

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**Sent:** Saturday, June 24, 2017 9:51 AM

**To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

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Sincerely,

Wyman Whipple



From: Food & Water Watch <act@fwwatch.org> on behalf of Robert Whippo <act@fwwatch.org>

**Sent:** Friday, June 16, 2017 1:41 PM **To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Public Comment regarding HVHHF Review #:000001

Jun 16, 2017

Illinois Department of Natural Resources Illinois Department of Natural Resources IL

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Do not sacrifice the health of Illinoisans and our natural resources for a toxic industry. Please deny the Woolsey Operating Company fracked well permit.

Sincerely,

Mr. Robert Whippo

From: Food & Water Watch <act@fwwatch.org> on behalf of Gwyneth Whitacre <act@fwwatch.org>

**Sent:** Monday, June 19, 2017 2:48 PM

**To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Public Comment regarding HVHHF Review #:000001

Jun 19, 2017

Illinois Department of Natural Resources Illinois Department of Natural Resources IL

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Illinois needs to check with Oklahoma and see how their earthquake activity has increased since fracking has been allowed in that state.

We DO NOT need fracking in the State of Illinois.

Do not sacrifice the health of Illinoisans and our natural resources for a toxic industry. Please deny the Woolsey Operating Company fracked well permit.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Gwyneth Whitacre



From: Food & Water Watch <act@fwwatch.org> on behalf of Catharine White <act@fwwatch.org>

**Sent:** Monday, June 26, 2017 7:07 PM

**To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Public Comment regarding HVHHF Review #:000001

Jun 26, 2017

Illinois Department of Natural Resources Illinois Department of Natural Resources IL

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Sincerely,

Ms. Catharine White

From: G White Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>

**Sent:** Friday, June 23, 2017 4:12 PM **To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Review Number HVHHF-000001

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Thank you for your attention to my comments. Illinois DNR should reject the company's inadequate permit application that fails to protect our health and environment.

Sincerely,



From: Marilea White

**Sent:** Tuesday, July 18, 2017 11:38 AM

To: DNR.HFPublicComments
Subject: [External] HVHHF #000001

## To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing on behalf of Illinois People's Action on behalf of the Woolsey application for a High Volume Fracking Permit. First let me say that the initial application had many deficiencies, and this second attempt is still severely lacking. For example, Section 09 Water Source Management Plan, (f) identify the methods to be used to minimize impact to aquatic life, the plan is to inject 7.5 million gallons of Frac fluid in part (d) of this section. However, their onsite capacity for flowback is identified as 128,000 gallons. Where will the remaining frac fluid go? Woosley has no back up plan if this storage capacity is too small.

Please reject this proposal by Woolsey.

From: Marilea White

Sent: Wednesday, July 19, 2017 4:41 PM

**To:** DNR.HFPublicComments **Subject:** [External] HVHHF #000001

## To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing to ask that you deny the Woolsey application for a tracking permit in the state of Illinois. This company's initial request was woefully inadequate and the replacement isn't much better. There are still many issues that need to be addressed. I will focus on just one. The rules specify that applicants are to submit information as to how the use of tracking water will be minimized. The Woolsey plan fails to indicate a reasonable set of methods that will be used to minimize groundwater withdrawals and fails to indicate that the applicant undertook any effort at all to consider minimizing its water use in designing its operations. This water is filled with toxic substances and the company must offer the public protection from such environmental hazards.

Please deny this totally inadequate request.

From: Marilea White

**Sent:** Monday, July 24, 2017 8:36 PM **To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Fwd: HVHHF #000001

From: Marilea White

**Subject: Fwd: HVHHF #000001 Date:** July 24, 2017 at 8:32 p.m.

# To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing to ask that you deny the Woolsey application for a tracking permit in the state of Illinois. This company's initial request was woefully inadequate and the replacement isn't much better. There are still many issues that need to be addressed. I recently learned that on January 27, 2014, there was an explosion at one of their mines near Fairfield, Illinois, where there was a great deal of damage and several people were injured. Now they want to frack?????

Please deny this request from a company we cannot trust to protect our people and our environment.

From: Marilea White

**Sent:** Wednesday, July 26, 2017 11:05 AM

**To:** DNR.HFPublicComments **Subject:** [External] HVHHF #000001

## To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing to ask that you reject Woolsey's application for a tracking permit. The first request was very flawed and inadequate, the second, amended request wasn't much better, and this company certainly is not equipped to frack in the state of Illinois. The plan states there will be a public hearing on their request on August 2. Has that been scheduled? Where? When? How much notice will be given? Who will be allowed to speak? So much of their application is very vague, we cannot accept it. If that's the best they can do to write up a proposal, how can we expect precision on the job? Please reject this proposal.

From: Marilea White Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>

**Sent:** Friday, June 23, 2017 3:09 PM **To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Review Number HVHHF-000001

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Sincerely,



From: Marilea White

**Sent:** Tuesday, June 27, 2017 12:41 PM

**To:** DNR.HFPublicComments **Subject:** [External] HVHHF-000001

Re: #000001

I am writing to encourage IDNR to deny the Woosley HVHHF #000001 for a variety of reasons, including but not limited to, the following:

- 1. The drilling lengths and depths submitted do not match in the scaled cross-section, also there's a discrepancy in angle of the non-vertical portion of the well bore. How can we trust this company to get things right?
- 2. No geological survey reports are submitted.
- 3. there is inadequate evidence to establish the lowest potential fresh water usage 4. the report doesn't clearly identify the formation to be stimulated 5. the confining zone isn't clearly identified 6. there is no data on any seismic study 7. the role of the Selmer Shale is listed as a drilling objective and a frac barrier. It cannot be both 8. There is inadequate and inconsistent data about the fracturing pressure 9. There is no data on the surface training pressure range 10, no information is submitted on the vertical propagation of fractures 11. there is no data thickness of the Albany Shale 12. There is no data on transmissive faults 13. the chemical disclosure plan is faulty and incomplete 14. the water use plan is very faulty—much water will be used, made unusable for future use, with inadequate plans as to how to store it without damage to our earth, air, and water—the implications for the safety of our environment are horrendous 15. the flowback plan is inadequate, and there are no plans to test the water for hazardous chemicals 16. the company plans to drill more than 3 wells 17.there is no adequate plan for safe storage of flowback waters 18. there is nothing in the plan to address transportation of hazardous materials 19. the Certificate of Insurance is insufficient 20. earthquake and floodplain hazards are not spelled out 21.the topsoil plan is too vague to meet regulations

Clearly this application does not meet the requirements of the regulations of the state of Illinois and the request should be denied.

Thank you for your consideration.

From: Food & Water Watch <act@fwwatch.org> on behalf of rosalyn white <act@fwwatch.org>

**Sent:** Friday, June 16, 2017 8:12 PM **To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Public Comment regarding HVHHF Review #:000001

Jun 16, 2017

Illinois Department of Natural Resources Illinois Department of Natural Resources IL

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Sincerely,

Ms. rosalyn white

From: Sandra White Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>

**Sent:** Saturday, June 24, 2017 10:45 AM

**To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Review Number HVHHF-000001

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Sincerely,

Sandra White



From: Yvonne White Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>

**Sent:** Friday, June 23, 2017 3:08 PM **To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Review Number HVHHF-000001

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Sincerely,

#### Yvonne White



From: Frank Whitehand

**Sent:** Thursday, July 27, 2017 10:59 AM

**To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Public Comments re: HVHHF #000001

**Attachments:** Public Comments re HVHHF 000001.pdf

### Dear IDNR Oil and Gas Regulatory Staff:

I am writing as a concerned citizen regarding the Woolsey Operating Company's application for a High Volume Hydraulic Fracturing Permit (HVHHF #000001).

The Woolsey application should be rejected. In addition to generalities and deficiencies in the initial application and supplemental information, there are problems where information was actually provided. The attached comments highlight areas of deficiency and concerning omissions in both the supplemental information and the original application.

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Woolsey should not be given a permit to engage in fracking in the state of Illinois -- Southern Illinoisans' water supplies, health, safety, and livelihoods are on the line.

Sincerely, F. Whitehand

From: Frank Whitehand

**Sent:** Thursday, July 27, 2017 11:10 AM

**To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Public Comments re: HVHHF #000001

**Attachments:** Public Comments re HVHHF 000001.pdf

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Sincerely,

Carlyn Whitehand

**From:** Mel Whitehouse

**Sent:** Thursday, June 08, 2017 2:57 PM

**To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Public Comment regarding HVHHF Review #:0001

## IDNR Oil and Gas Regulatory Staff,

I am writing as a concerned citizen in regards to HVHHF Review #: 000001

to implore you to follow your mission statement to "protect Illinois' natural resources... and promote public safety of Illinois' natural resources for present and future generations" by denying Woolsey Operating Company LLC's well permit application. It has been proven in hundreds of studies that the practice of hydraulic fracturing pollutes our air, water and soil with toxic, carcinogenic and radioactive materials. Even without any acute accident, such as the Woolsey well explosion in Fairfield in 2014, between air sampling, water testing and infrared footage it is clear that all frack wells leak. Combine that with Woolsey Oil Corporation's stated plan to flare excess methane, and the fact that the proposed well site is within one mile of at least 5 known oil wells and suddenly, exposure to toxins in air and water for those living nearby goes from a risk to a certainty. Do not sacrifice the health of Illinoisians and our natural resources for a toxic industry.

Sincerely, Mel Whitehouse

From: Carol Whitehurst

**Sent:** Thursday, June 01, 2017 12:09 PM

**To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] fracking -- Starved Rock/Illinois Valley

Hello,

This is a public comment on the fracking proposal for Starved Rock/Illinois Valley. Please don't! I grew up in Illinois, and I loved Starved Rock. Please leave it as is.

Regards,

Carol Whitehurst

From: Leah Whitesel Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>

**Sent:** Monday, July 03, 2017 9:32 AM **To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Review Number HVHHF-000001

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Sincerely,



**From:** Janet Whitmore <info@actionnetwork.org>

**Sent:** Friday, June 23, 2017 1:07 PM **To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Public Comment regarding HVHHF Review #:000001

Follow Up Flag: Follow up Flag Status: Flagged

Oil & Gas Regulatory Staff,

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Janet Whitmore

From: Rich Whitney

Sent: Wednesday, July 26, 2017 6:42 AM

**To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] IDNR Review Number HVHHF #000001

## PUBLIC COMMENTS FOR IDNR REVIEW NUMBER HVHHF #000001

TO: Illinois Department Of Natural Resources Attention: Oil and Gas Regulatory Staff One Natural Resources Way

Springfield, IL 62702

The undersigned makes the following public comments concerning Woolsey Operating Company LLC's application for a high-volume horizontal hydraulic fracturing permit in Illinois, including its supplemental documents. The application is more fully described as follows:

HVHHF #1, White County

IDNR Review Number HVHHF #000001

Applicant: Woolsey Operating Company, LLC, a Kansas limited liability corporation Location: Between Springerton and Enfield, about 1.3 miles west of US Route 45;

the site is bounded by County Road 1825 N on the north,

County Road 50E on the west, and County Road 1725 N to the south

Information located online at:

https://www.dnr.illinois.gov/OilandGas/Pages/PendingPermitApplications.aspx

My comments in this document are focused on grave concerns about deficiencies in two sections if Woolsey's application, primarily section 25, on Radioactive Materials Management, and, where implicated, section 11, the Well Site Safety Plan. I note that, separately, I have endorsed and added my voice to comments that have been, or will shortly be, submitted by Southern Illinoisans Against Fracturing our Environment (SAFE), Food & Water Watch, the Sierra Club, Natural Resources Defense Council, and Illinois People's Action.

The IDNR regulations at 62 Ill. Admin. Code § 245.210 (b)(7) require applicants to "submit a radioactive materials management strategy to test for and identify, manage, transport and dispose of any radioactive materials utilized or generated during the course of HVHFF operations."

Woolsey's application appears to be in compliance with the requirement to test for and identify radioactive materials – but nothing else. It therefore does not qualify as a "strategy" that meets the other requirements. This is especially alarming, and cannot be deemed adequate, in light of the fact that technologically enhanced naturally occurring radioactive materials (TENORM) brought to the surface and/or deposited on oil-field equipment in Southern Illinois is generally much more radioactive than in other regions nationally – and White County, in particular, has shown elevated radioactivity in oilfield equipment and soils more commonly than in the rest of Southern Illinois. (See USGS Fact Sheet, FS-142-99 – <a href="https://pubs.usgs.gov/fs/fs-0142-99/fs-0142-99.pdf">https://pubs.usgs.gov/fs/fs-0142-99/fs-0142-99.pdf</a>, and James K. Otton, et al., *Effects of produced water at some oilfield production sites in* 

Southern Illinois, U.S.G.S. Open File Report 97-448, July 1997, pp. 6-7, 83 – https://pubs.er.usgs.gov/publication/ofr97448)

Stating the deficiencies with greater particularity:

- 1. It does not identify what level of detected emissions in produced water, sludge, drilling mud, accumulated mineral scales on pipes and equipment, or in surrounding soil or surface water, will trigger removal or remedial action of any kind.
- 2. It does not identify either in its Radioactive Materials Management Plan or its Site Safety & Health Plan what level of workers' exposure to radioactive emissions will trigger remedial action or what type of remedial action will be taken. It does not appear to include any requirement that workers at high risk of exposure will be provided with radiation-detection badges or similar devices that can provide reliable data on actual exposure.
- 3. The plan acknowledges that "radioactive materials might be removed from the site as wastes or within equipment as the equipment is moved from one site to another." It states nothing about what precautions or methods will be used to transport radioactive wastes. It implies that radioactive wastes will simply be transported and disposed of in the Class II injection wells described in the Hydraulic Fracturing Fluids and Flowback Plan irrespective of the level or type of radioactive emissions detected. It clearly does not describe any alternative plan or contingency for the disposal of wastes above any given threshold of radioactive emissions.
- 4. The plan states that "[p]rior to disposal or recycling, materials that are suspected of containing NORM materials will be subjected to field testing and/or laboratory analysis to assess the possible requirement to be managed as radioactive wastes. If warranted, the appropriate NRC and DOT requirements shall be followed." Using passive voice, it does not state who shall determine what "materials" will qualify as "suspected," or what criteria shall be used to determine when materials are "suspected" of containing NORM or TENORM materials. It does not cite any specific NRC or DOT requirements. Neither the Atomic Energy Act of 1954 nor the Low-Level Radioactive Waste Policy Act cover NORM. The Nuclear Regulatory Commission has no authority over radioactive oil and gas waste. (Brown, Valerie J., *Radionuclides in Fracking Wastewater: Managing a Toxic Blend*; Environ. Health Perspect., Feb. 2014; DOI: 10.1289/ehp.122-A50 <a href="https://ehp.niehs.nih.gov/122-a50/">https://ehp.niehs.nih.gov/122-a50/</a>) Thus, at least without citations, the assurance that "appropriate" NRC requirements shall be followed, would appear to be meaningless.

In sum, neither the Radioactive Materials Management Plan nor the Site Safety & Health Plan provides any specific details regarding how radioactive materials above normal background levels – or above any level – will be managed, transported or disposed of any differently than any other materials. The application cannot possibly be deemed to be in compliance with § 245.210 (b)(7) and the public has no basis for concluding that public and environmental health will be adequately safeguarded if this permit is approved. Considering the disastrous consequences that have befallen the state of North Dakota, for example, as a consequence of poor regulation of radioactive wastewater, it would be unconscionable to grant a permit to Woolsey based on this application. (See, e.g., https://www.desmogblog.com/2016/05/08/duke-university-study-finds-legacy-radioactivity-water-and-soil-contaminated-thousands-fracking-wastewater-spills.)

The undersigned urges you to uphold your duty to protect Illinois' natural resources and our public health and safety, by denying Woolsey Operating Company LLC's well permit application (HVHHF-000001).

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Richard J. Whitney

From: Arlene Widrevitz Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>

**Sent:** Monday, June 26, 2017 12:35 AM

**To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Review Number HVHHF-000001

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- 1. The application requests exceptionally large water withdrawals from groundwater resources that are very susceptible to depletion, and fails to include plans to recycle water or otherwise minimize water consumption.
- 2. The application significantly underestimates flowback volumes, and plans for inadequate containment facilities for even that amount of flowback and other chemicals/wastes that the application does estimate.
- 3. The application conceals information on hazardous fracking chemicals without attempting to demonstrate entitlement to trade secret protection.
- 4. The application includes inadequate insurance for the well, with insurance that excludes the very types of damages to private landowners' property that should be protected.
- 5. The operations as described in the application would fail to preserve topsoil, and the stormwater management plan is inadequate.
- 6. The application plans for deficient surface and groundwater sampling. Adequate sampling must be required to protect important water sources.

Thank you for your attention to my comments. Illinois DNR should reject the company's inadequate permit application that fails to protect our health and environment.

Sincerely,



From: Laurie Wiechert

**Sent:** Tuesday, June 27, 2017 11:49 AM

To: DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Public Comment regarding Review #: HVHHF-000001

## DNR Public Comment,

IDNR Oil and Gas Regulatory Staff, I am writing these comments in regards to the application from Woolsey Operating Company, LLC for a permit under the Hydraulic Fracturing Regulatory Act (HFRA), assigned to Review Number HVHHF-000001. The proposed well (Woodrow #1H-310408-193) in White County, Illinois would threaten public health and safety and the permit application contains a number of issues highlighted below. The application is woefully lacking in data and information required by the Illinois legislature and Illinois DNR under the rules and regulations of the HFRA that are designed to protect public health and the environment, and so cannot be approved as submitted. From the information that is provided, a number of concerns arise, including but not limited to: 1. The application requests exceptionally large water withdrawals from groundwater resources that are very susceptible to depletion, and fails to include plans to recycle water or otherwise minimize water consumption. 2. The application significantly underestimates flowback volumes, and plans for inadequate containment facilities for even that amount of flowback and other chemicals/wastes that the application does estimate. 3. The application conceals information on hazardous fracking chemicals without attempting to demonstrate entitlement to trade secret protection.4. The application includes inadequate insurance for the well, with insurance that excludes the very types of damages to private landowners' property that should be protected. 5. The operations as described in the application would fail to preserve topsoil, and the stormwater management plan is inadequate. 6. The application plans for deficient surface and groundwater sampling. Adequate sampling must be required to protect important water sources. Thank you for your attention to my comments. Illinois DNR should reject the company's inadequate permit application that fails to protect our health and environment.

I hold a Masters Degree in Community/Public Health.

Best regards,

Laurie Wiechert

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From: Food & Water Watch <act@fwwatch.org> on behalf of Susan Wiechman <act@fwwatch.org>

**Sent:** Tuesday, June 20, 2017 7:20 AM

**To:** DNR.HFPublicComments

**Subject:** [External] Public Comment regarding HVHHF Review #:000001

Jun 20, 2017

Illinois Department of Natural Resources Illinois Department of Natural Resources IL

Dear Illinois Department of Natural Resources,

I urge you to protect Illinois' natural resources and our public health and safety by denying Woolsey Operating Company LLC's well permit application (HVHHF Review #: 000001).

Hundreds of studies have shown that the practice of hydraulic fracturing pollutes our air, water and soil with toxic, carcinogenic and radioactive materials.

Even without any severe accident (such as the Woolsey well explosion in Fairfield in 2014), we know through air sampling, water testing and infrared footage that fracked wells leak. The proposed well site is within one mile of at least 5 known oil wells, and Woolsey Oil Corporation has a plan to flare excess methane, exposing the area nearby to toxins.

Do not sacrifice the health of Illinoisans and our natural resources for a toxic industry. Please deny the Woolsey Operating Company fracked well permit.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Susan Wiechman

