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Sincerely,
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I don't want fracking. Just because we can do it does not mean we should.

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Dec 22, 2013

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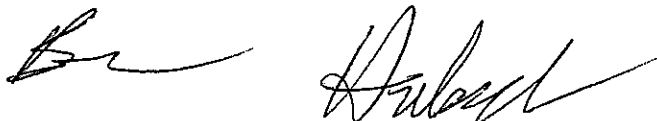
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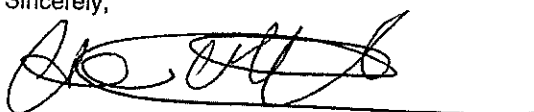
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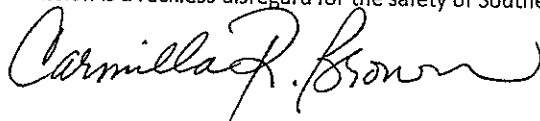
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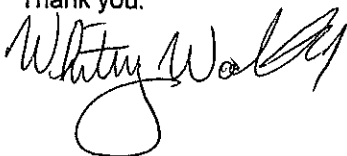
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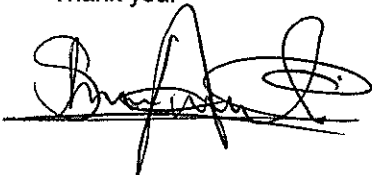
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My first comment refers to the "Chemical Disclosure Report" requirement outlined in Section 245.210(a)(8) of the Proposed Hydraulic Fracturing Regulatory Act administrative rules.

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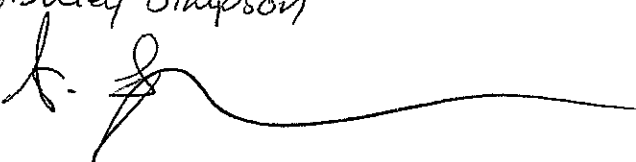
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Thank you.

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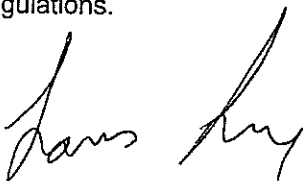
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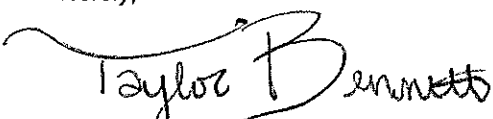
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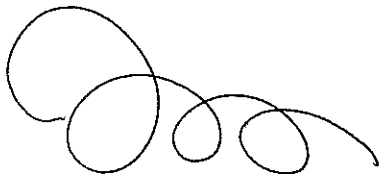
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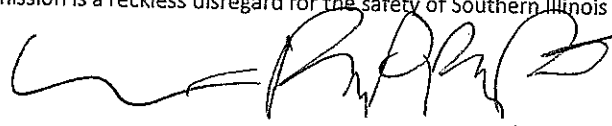
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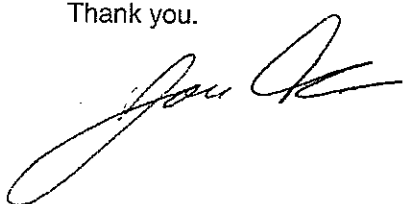
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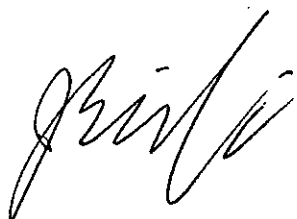
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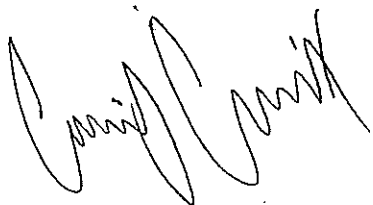
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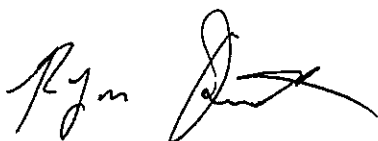
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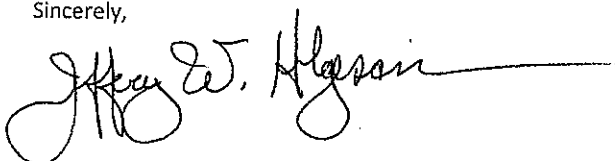
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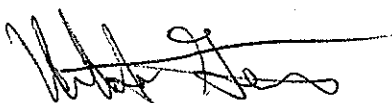
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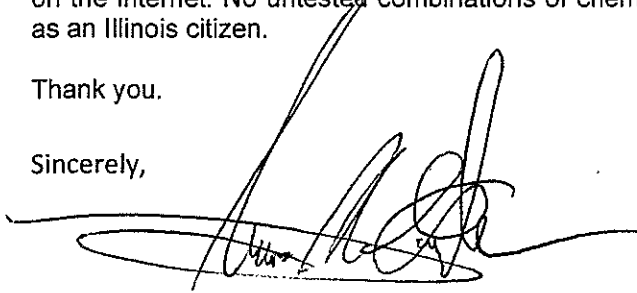
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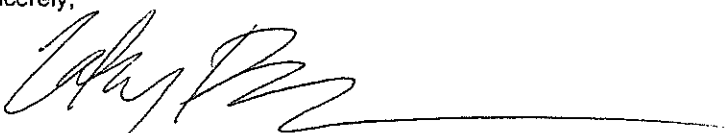
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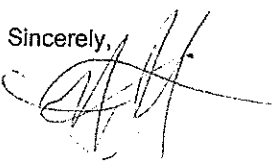
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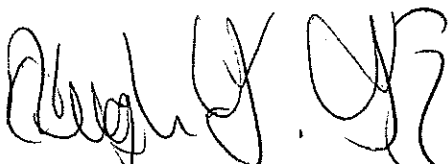
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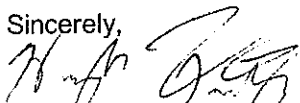
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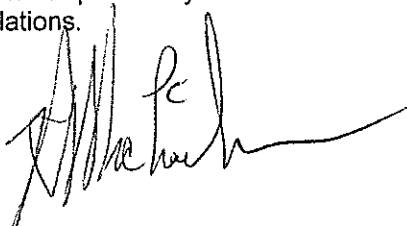
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I am concerned about the dangers of earthquakes related to fracking. Southern Illinois sits above two active seismic zones: the New Madrid and the Wabash Valley. The Rules contain language about earthquakes and, on a broader level, they also assume that fracking indeed causes earthquakes. The rules describe a series of fracking created earthquake levels of intensity. Why is IDNR allowing activities that allow earthquakes? This should not be allowed until more scientific research is able to give a clearer understanding of the dangers and impacts. There is no mention of scientific review or study of the effect of fracking earthquakes within the Wabash Valley and New Madrid Seismic Zones. I demand that IDNR use scientific studies to explain the potential impacts of earthquakes.

The color-coded system of earthquake monitoring in the regulations appears completely obsolete. What purpose does it serve? What will it do for citizens who are impacted by earthquakes? What is the significance of the 3 or 6 mile radius from an earthquake epicenter for notification of well sites? Is there a scientific study that indicates that this radius is appropriate? There needs to be a study showing that 3-6 miles is the radius in which people will be impacted. A new study ties the injection of wastewater deep underground. Researchers now say that the magnitude 5.7 earthquake near Prague, Okla., on Nov. 6, 2011, may also be the largest ever linked to wastewater injection. Felt as far away as Milwaukee, more than 800 miles away, the quake—the biggest ever recorded in Oklahoma—destroyed 14 homes, buckled a federal highway and left two people injured. How does IDNR justify a 3-6 mile radius?

It appears in the regulations that a fracking site can be responsible for creating up to 4 earthquakes up to a level of 4.9 magnitude WITHOUT a mandatory shut-down order by the state. A 4.9 earthquake is a serious and newsworthy event – (USGS description: "Sensation like a heavy truck striking building. Standing motor cars rocked noticeably.") This is completely unacceptable. As soon as a fracking site creates even one earthquake, it should be shut down. What is the science behind allowing 4 earthquakes per fracking site? Is there any limit on the number of fracking sites per a confined geological area? What is the science showing what number and magnitude of earthquakes is safe in the Wabash Valley and New Madrid Seismic Zones? I am completely opposed to allowing fracking without regulations that are based off of these studies.

Mandatory shut-down of a site is based on a patchwork of multiple earthquakes at multiple times with varying intensity. For example, if an earthquake caused by fracking "causes significant damage" or a magnitude of 5.0 or greater the state will shut-down the frack site. A 5.0 earthquake is described by USGS as "Felt by all, many frightened." The rules use a dangerous, high threshold of earthquake intensity for a mandatory shut-down. The fracking caused earthquake literally has to frighten people or break something before the state will step in. What is the justification for such a high threshold?

The penalty for failing to attend an earthquake hearing or continuing to frack after causing a serious, reported earthquake is \$50 for a first time violation. The maximum fine is \$500. This is absurdly low, and will not incentivize any company to cease dangerous fracking. Fines for creating earthquakes should be more in the \$50,000 + range. Earthquakes can cause damage to the properties of residences and businesses. In the case of earthquakes impacting households or commercial establishments, the companies responsible should be liable to cover damages. This needs to be included in these regulations. It is unfair for a people living in the area to experience a frightening event that damages property and puts them in danger without any compensation. This is unjust, and no Illinois state laws should allow this to occur.

In subsection (a), "Applicability", DNR proposes that this rule apply ONLY to Class II injection wells, not to any other. DNR has not proposed any rules for fracking wells. This is insufficient protection of the population in southern Illinois where citizens are at risk of a major earthquake.

There are two distinct earthquake risks: (1) the risks from injection wells inducing earthquakes that would not otherwise occur and (2) the risks of substantial injuries and damages created when the toxic fracking fluid left in the ground, in pipelines, and in wells (injection and otherwise) is let loose as a result of a major earthquake. There are NO rules establishing guidelines for stopping fracking wells in the event of earthquakes, and NO considerations for siting any wells specifically in active seismic zones. That omission is a reckless disregard for the safety of Southern Illinois residents, their property, and the ecology of the region.

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My first comment refers to the "Chemical Disclosure Report" requirement outlined in Section 245.210(a)(8) of the Proposed Hydraulic Fracturing Regulatory Act administrative rules.

First and foremost, Section 245.210 states that every applicant for a permit under this Part "must submit" certain information, including a Chemical Disclosure Report identifying each chemical and proppant *anticipated* to be used in hydraulic fracturing fluid for each state of the high volume horizontal hydraulic fracturing operations.

However, Section 245.210(a)(8) allows an applicant to postpone submission of a Chemical Disclosure Report if it "documents to the Department's satisfaction why the information is not available at the time the application is submitted [...]" The criteria for documenting "to the Department's satisfaction" is subjective, vague, and ambiguous. The Department should revise the proposed rule to provide objective standards for the exercise of discretion by the Department under Section 245.210(a)(8).

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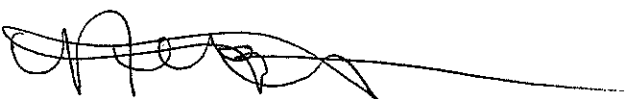
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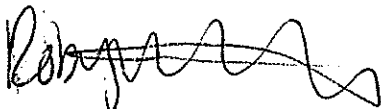
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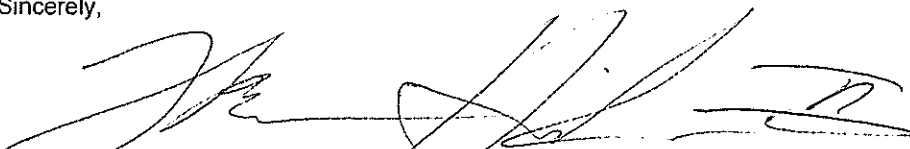
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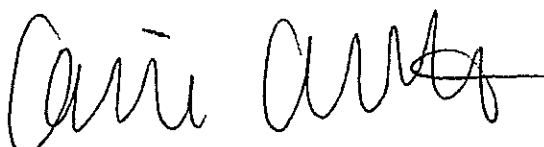
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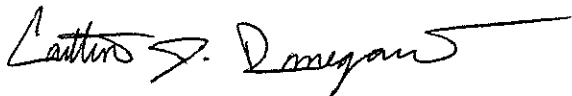
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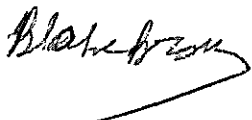
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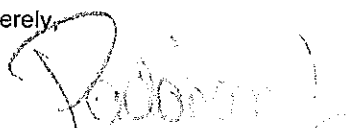
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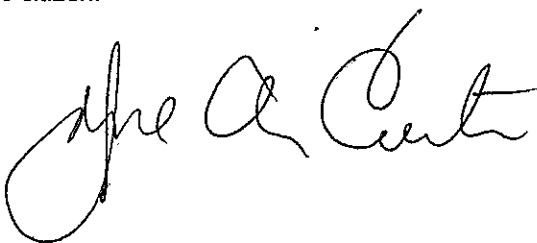
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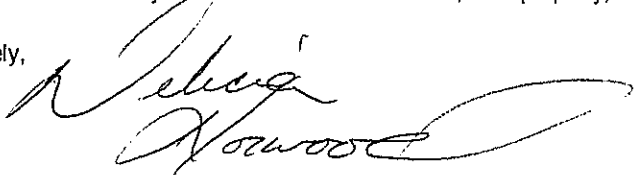
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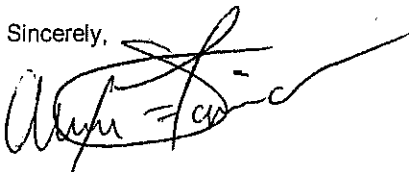
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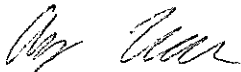
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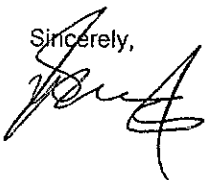
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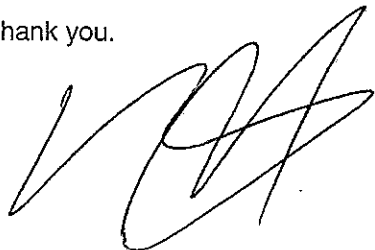
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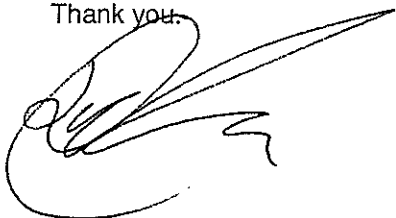
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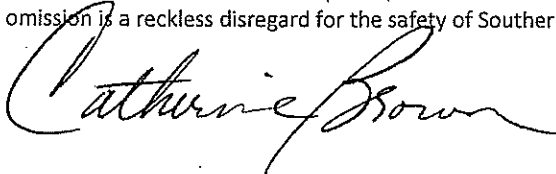
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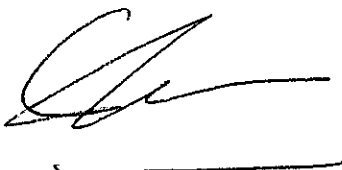
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My first comment refers to the "Chemical Disclosure Report" requirement outlined in Section 245.210(a)(8) of the Proposed Hydraulic Fracturing Regulatory Act administrative rules.

First and foremost, Section 245.210 states that every applicant for a permit under this Part "must submit" certain information, including a Chemical Disclosure Report identifying each chemical and proppant anticipated to be used in hydraulic fracturing fluid for each state of the high volume horizontal hydraulic fracturing operations.

However, Section 245.210(a)(8) allows an applicant to postpone submission of a Chemical Disclosure Report if it "documents to the Department's satisfaction why the information is not available at the time the application is submitted [...]" The criteria for documenting "to the Department's satisfaction" is subjective, vague, and ambiguous. The Department should revise the proposed rule to provide objective standards for the exercise of discretion by the Department under Section 245.210(a)(8).

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I like being able to open the tap and drink clean + safe water. Please don't ruin that for millions of people.

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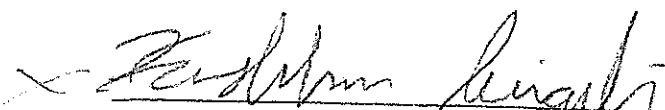
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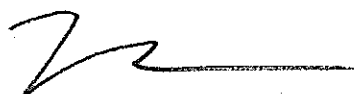
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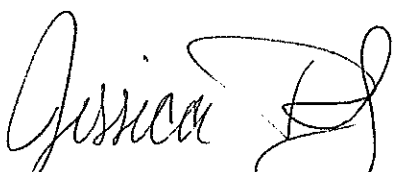
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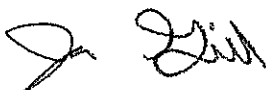
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New oil and gas wells with cement or casing failures, aging or abandoned wells with their own leaky casings, new fractures from fracking, and existing natural fractures and faults all combine to create a network of underground pathways through which contaminants can flow.

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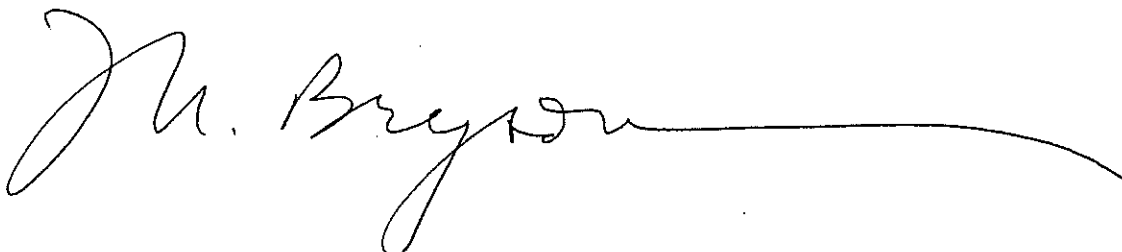
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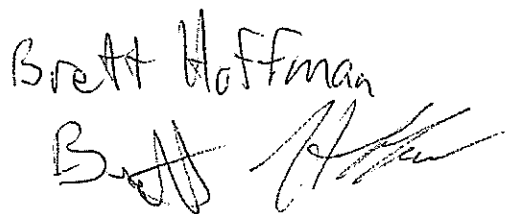
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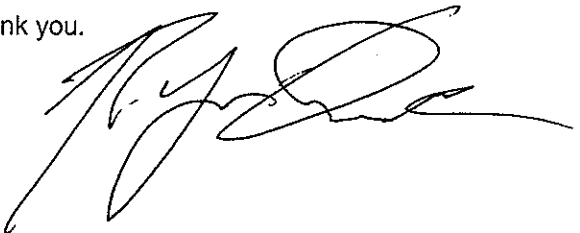
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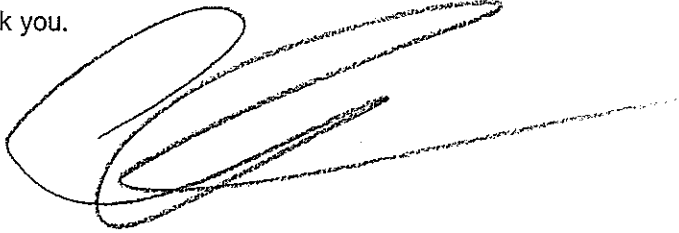
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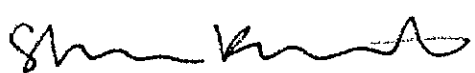
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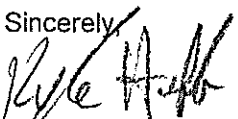
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My first comment focuses on Subpart B, Sect. 245.200 which refers to the fines and penalties related to fracking procedures starting at \$50 dollars and reaching \$2500 dollars. Fracking companies profits like Shell and Exxon exceed billions of dollars annually with apparent damage to the environment and people in its periphery. These fines do not suffice as a violation and is mere chump change for these would be companies. This will not deter them from continuing fracking because it will not make any dents in their pockets. The fees for violations need to make any company considering fracking in Illinois reconsider and honestly assess the damaging effects of fracking.

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As a college student I'd also like to mention your Subpart A: General Provisions in reference to page 3 paragraph 6 where you require no published studies or reports. This is unacceptable for an intelligent conversation and must be instantly remedied with credible sources. I demand that the IDNR operate from a wide variety of information to assure the public's confidence in these regulations.

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~~Report~~

Ryan Quante

Violations & Fines

To the Illinois Department of Natural Resources (IDNR). I find the Fines inadequate to deter ~~Pract~~ Practices which can and will create environmental problems. For these major corporations the fines \$50-\$2500 are meaningless. The companies will be able to write off their sub-par environmental practices as "manageable" overhead. What is it going to take for these companies to abide by law, rules, and regulations set? ~~What is it~~ How are you going to enforce accountability?

To the Illinois Department of Natural Resources (IDNR)

There are a lack of studies and reports regarding fracking on an environmental level. There needs to be research ~~done~~ on the impacts ~~of the environment~~ ~~on the~~ on environment. Where are the sources that you have come up with? ~~What~~ The sources need to be of a diverse nature showing both sides of the argument for and against. Who is funding the ~~research~~ research?

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My comment regarding subpart B section 245.200 is as follows:

The amount of profit natural gas companies make is in the millions and/or billions. Only asking \$50-2500 for a fine is allowing them to violate all rules while still staying on budget.

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My second comment is regarding subpart A: General Provision

The current proposal says there are no studies or reports, and sources of underlying data used to compress the ~~data~~ rulemaking.

As a full time professional and

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a part-time student, this type of documentation would never suffice in an ethical corporate or educational setting. This lack of data shows that public interest in fracking is of no concern. Obviously, the mindset of the legal writers (of the current proposed rules & regulations) is profit-based.

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I am concerned about the dangers of earthquakes related to fracking. Southern Illinois sits above two active seismic zones: the New Madrid and the Wabash Valley. The Rules contain language about earthquakes and, on a broader level, they also assume that fracking indeed causes earthquakes. The rules describe a series of fracking created earthquake levels of intensity. Why is IDNR allowing activities that allow earthquakes? This should not be allowed until more scientific research is able to give a clearer understanding of the dangers and impacts. There is no mention of scientific review or study of the effect of fracking earthquakes within the Wabash Valley and New Madrid Seismic Zones. I demand that IDNR use scientific studies to explain the potential impacts of earthquakes.

The color-coded system of earthquake monitoring in the regulations appears completely obsolete. What purpose does it serve? What will it do for citizens who are impacted by earthquakes? What is the significance of the 3 or 6 mile radius from an earthquake epicenter for notification of well sites? Is there a scientific study that indicates that this radius is appropriate? There needs to be a study showing that 3-6 miles is the radius in which people will be impacted. A new study ties the injection of wastewater deep underground. Researchers now say that the magnitude 5.7 earthquake near Prague, Okla., on Nov. 6, 2011, may also be the largest ever linked to wastewater injection. Felt as far away as Milwaukee, more than 800 miles away, the quake—the biggest ever recorded in Oklahoma--destroyed 14 homes, buckled a federal highway and left two people injured. How does IDNR justify a 3-6 mile radius?

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To the Illinois Department of Natural Resources,

As a citizen of the state of Illinois, I find the IDNR's proposed fracking regulations egregiously insufficient to protect Illinois' water and people.

I am concerned about the dangers of earthquakes related to fracking. Southern Illinois sits above two active seismic zones: the New Madrid and the Wabash Valley. The Rules contain language about earthquakes and, on a broader level, they also assume that fracking indeed causes earthquakes. The rules describe a series of fracking created earthquake levels of intensity. Why is IDNR allowing activities that allow earthquakes? This should not be allowed until more scientific research is able to give a clearer understanding of the dangers and impacts. There is no mention of scientific review or study of the effect of fracking earthquakes within the Wabash Valley and New Madrid Seismic Zones. I demand that IDNR use scientific studies to explain the potential impacts of earthquakes.

The color-coded system of earthquake monitoring in the regulations appears completely obsolete. What purpose does it serve? What will it do for citizens who are impacted by earthquakes? What is the significance of the 3 or 6 mile radius from an earthquake epicenter for notification of well sites? Is there a scientific study that indicates that this radius is appropriate? There needs to be a study showing that 3-6 miles is the radius in which people will be impacted. A new study ties the injection of wastewater deep underground. Researchers now say that the magnitude 5.7 earthquake near Prague, Okla., on Nov. 6, 2011, may also be the largest ever linked to wastewater injection. Felt as far away as Milwaukee, more than 800 miles away, the quake—the biggest ever recorded in Oklahoma—destroyed 14 homes, buckled a federal highway and left two people injured. How does IDNR justify a 3-6 mile radius?

It appears in the regulations that a fracking site can be responsible for creating up to 4 earthquakes up to a level of 4.9 magnitude WITHOUT a mandatory shut-down order by the state. A 4.9 earthquake is a serious and newsworthy event – (USGS description: "Sensation like a heavy truck striking building. Standing motor cars rocked noticeably.") This is completely unacceptable. As soon as a fracking site creates even one earthquake, it should be shut down. What is the science behind allowing 4 earthquakes per fracking site? Is there any limit on the number of fracking sites per a confined geological area? What is the science showing what number and magnitude of earthquakes is safe in the Wabash Valley and New Madrid Seismic Zones? I am completely opposed to allowing fracking without regulations that are based off of these studies.

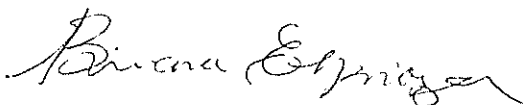
Mandatory shut-down of a site is based on a patchwork of multiple earthquakes at multiple times with varying intensity. For example, if an earthquake caused by fracking "causes significant damage" or a magnitude of 5.0 or greater the state will shut-down the frack site. A 5.0 earthquake is described by USGS as "Felt by all, many frightened." The rules use a dangerous, high threshold of earthquake intensity for a mandatory shut-down. The fracking caused earthquake literally has to frighten people or break something before the state will step in. What is the justification for such a high threshold?

The penalty for failing to attend an earthquake hearing or continuing to frack after causing a serious, reported earthquake is \$50 for a first time violation. The maximum fine is \$500. This is absurdly low, and will not incentivize any company to cease dangerous fracking. Fines for creating earthquakes should be more in the \$50,000 + range. Earthquakes can cause damage to the properties of residences and businesses. In the case of earthquakes impacting households or commercial establishments, the companies responsible should be liable to cover damages. This needs to be included in these regulations. It is unfair for a people living in the area to experience a frightening event that damages property and puts them in danger without any compensation. This is unjust, and no Illinois state laws should allow this to occur.

In subsection (a), "Applicability", DNR proposes that this rule apply ONLY to Class II injection wells, not to any other. DNR has not proposed any rules for fracking wells. This is insufficient protection of the population in southern Illinois where citizens are at risk of a major earthquake.

There are two distinct earthquake risks: (1) the risks from injection wells inducing earthquakes that would not otherwise occur and (2) the risks of substantial injuries and damages created when the toxic fracking fluid left in the ground, in pipelines, and in wells (injection and otherwise) is let loose as a result of a major earthquake. There are NO rules establishing guidelines for stopping fracking wells in the event of earthquakes, and NO considerations for siting any wells specifically in active seismic zones. That omission is a reckless disregard for the safety of Southern Illinois residents, their property, and the ecology of the region.

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According to IDNR's definitions, a "Well site" means surface areas, including the surface location of the well, occupied by all equipment or facilities necessary for, or incidental to, high volume horizontal hydraulic fracturing operations, construction, drilling, production, or plugging a well. While this definition might be appropriate for a well that drills straight down, as wells once did, it is not appropriate for horizontal hydraulic fracturing wells. Horizontal hydraulic fracturing operations involve an initial drilling site that then grows to include horizontal legs radiating out from the site. Leaks or ruptures, the well's proximity to water sources, and/or to real property are not adequately imagined by the well site definition that underpins so much of the IDNR's approach to these regulations.

The well site definition should be expanded to include the surface area above any and all horizontal or vertical legs of the well. The current narrow definition does not adequately protect the health, safety and well-being of Illinois citizens, nor will it adequately sequester water used for human or animal consumption from accidents that can occur anywhere the drilling occurs.

A useful way of thinking of a hydraulic fracturing well site would be to compare it to an iceberg, where the small amount of ice visible at the water's surface gives no hint of the size of the area occupied by the iceberg below the water line. The potential surface area that can be detrimentally affected by a hydraulic fracturing operation includes all land within 500, 750, or 1500 feet of a hydraulic fracturing leg (to use the IDNR's own measurements), regardless of the leg's horizontal or vertical relationship to the earth.

This definition is critical because setback requirements are based on IDNR's inadequate definition of a well-site when they should, at a minimum, be based on the distance from any part of the well, including all underground horizontal legs of the well. To adopt the current definition of well site is to apply an old understanding about what constitutes a well to an approach to drilling that has grown much more complex. The IDNR needs to reflect its understanding of the inherent and possible dangers of hydraulic fracturing by recognizing that the well site for such an operation has much greater breadth than the current definition envisions.

As a citizen of Illinois, I do not feel that the regulations that the IDNR has proposed are sufficient to protect me and my family or our state's natural resources. I demand that IDNR change its definition of a well site, and then create a comprehensive plan to protect groundwater and natural resources that will be impacted by fracking, regardless of their proximity to the drilling equipment.

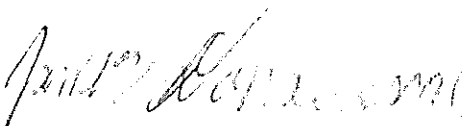
In addition, on page three of the regulations that IDNR released, the regulations state:

"Published studies or reports, and sources of underlying data, used to compose this rulemaking: None"

The inability of the IDNR to produce scientific data to support its proposition indicates that IDNR is not basing its regulations off of scientific data. This is completely unacceptable. As a citizen of Illinois, I demand that the IDNR conduct an environmental impact study that uses all available studies and science to evaluate the impacts of fracking before it releases regulations.

Thank you.

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Sincerely,

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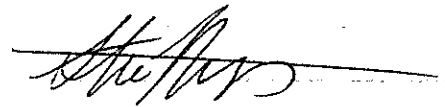
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Illinois Department of Natural Resources

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Thank you.

Sincerely,



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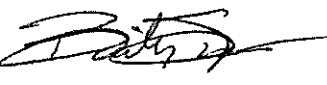
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Thank you for your time,
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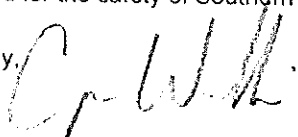
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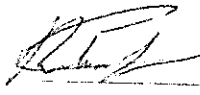
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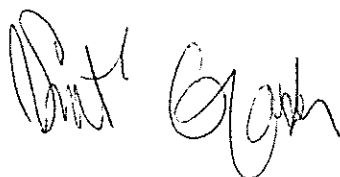
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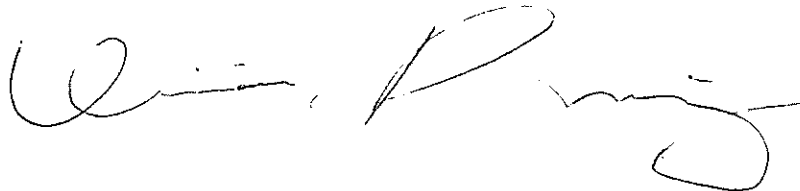
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Robert Olson
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3503 W Medill Ave
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What kind of benefit could we possibly gain, if we destroy our fresh water supply?

More fossil fuels only help to perpetuate our dependency on this

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Sincerely,
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The new "regulatory" rules will virtually guarantee that Illinois's groundwater, our most essential resource, will be contaminated with cancer-causing fracking chemicals, hydrocarbon gases and even radioactive brines.

To see that there is a history of "fraccidents" across the US... you only need to look at this map.
<http://earthjustice.org/features/campaigns/fracking-across-the-united-states>

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Laura Long
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