

Governor Tom Corbett
Governor's Office
Main Capitol Building
Harrisburg Pennsylvania 17120

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Dear Governor Corbett,

My name is Kimberlie McEvoy, I own my home in Connoquenessing Township, Butler County, and I have black water.

Between the end of February and the beginning of March 2011 my water turned black and had a foul, smelly odor. My fiancée and I showered in the water and became sick with headaches, fatigue and painful sinuses. I'm so glad I did not bathe my two-year-old daughter in the water.

The only thing in my environment that had changed was the drilling of two gas wells near my home, so I called the gas company, Rex Energy. They came out and retested my water well and gave me a water buffalo. The retest of my water showed arsenic, manganese, ammonia and other volatile organic compounds. Rex is now fracking the gas wells and I fear that my water will become more contaminated with cancer-causing fracking chemicals.

Right now the health and well being of my family depends on my water buffalo. When Rex Energy takes it away we will have no water. Since the fracking and flaring have begun, the air quality has deteriorated. We can't play outside without getting a headache or a sore throat.

I love Butler County but I fear I will have to foreclose on my home and leave. I just wonder how many more Pennsylvanians will have to make this same heart breaking decision. Please stop the drilling. It's not right to allow the gas companies to gamble with our lives.

Thank you,

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