

a million fracking letters

"The only antidote to corporate influence is public opinion."

There are many reasons why ordinary citizens are speaking out against hydrofracking in New York State:

Governor Cuomo needs tens of thousands of letters to stand up to big oil and gas companies. Can you write one?

Supporting Organizations

Catskill Citizens for Safe Energy
Catskill Mountainkeeper
Citizens Campaign for the Environment
GaslandTheMovie (Josh Fox)
Grassroots Environmental Education
Long Island Press
New York Public Interest Research Group
United for Action
WBAI Pacifica Radio
Westchester for Change

Many New Yorkers are concerned about the contamination of **public water supplies**, or the harmful effects of **air pollution**, or the economic impact on **tourism** or impacts on New York State's vital **agricultural community**. Others are concerned about exposure to **radioactive materials** or toxic **heavy metals** brought up from deep underground, or that **toxic wastes** will damage local water treatment plants. Parents are concerned about their **children's health**.

Many people are concerned that the chemicals being used in the fracking process are kept **secret**. Others believe the gas industry should be subject to **environmental laws** like everyone else. (They are exempt from the Clean Air Act, the Clean Water Act and the Safe Drinking Water Act.) Still others believe that the gas industry should be responsible for cleaning up **spills and toxic residues**. Right now, they can walk away, leaving the landowner responsible.

Many people are concerned that **taxpayers are subsidizing the gas industry** by paying for the highways, police, EMTs and other community services fracking companies depend on, or that these companies are donating hundreds of millions of dollars to **political campaigns** to ensure access and favorable treatment. Others are concerned that the multi-million dollar **TV advertising campaign** claiming that dirty gas drilling is "clean energy" is confusing the public.

Whatever your reason for opposing hydrofracking in New York, ***we need you now!*** Please write a personal letter to Governor Andrew Cuomo, and tell him there are *too many unanswered questions and potential problems* to allow hydrofracking in our state. Send your letter to:

The Honorable Andrew M. Cuomo
Governor of New York State
State Capitol Building
Albany, NY 12224

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