

To whom it may concern:

I am very concerned that we, as a state, are considering allowing hydroloc fracturing to retrieve natural gas. While energy independence is a laudable goal, did we learn nothing from the recent disaster in the Gulf of Mexico? Allowing energy companies to proceed with such a potentially dangerous process without a proven safety plan, is exactly how we ended up with the deep water drilling disaster that has ruined miles of Gulf Coast beaches and had untold effects on the delicate ecosystems in the Gulf. How can we allow this same sort of dangerous unsafe process to occur in upstate neighborhoods without proven plans to protect the ground water that have been thoroughly reviewed and approved by an outside agency? One that has no ties to the energy companies.

Please do not rush into this decision. It is of the utmost importance to ensure that this process is 100% safe before giving these companies approval to mess with our drinking water.

Sincerely,  
Lisa Jordan