



LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS®
OF NEW JERSEY

June 29, 2012

The Honorable Chris Christie
Governor of New Jersey
P.O. Box 001, State House
Trenton, NJ 08625-0001

Dear Governor Christie:

The League of Women Voters of New Jersey is very concerned about protecting New Jersey's waterways and ensuring the health and safety of its residents. We believe that New Jersey should ban any waste produced as a result of hydraulic fracturing for natural gas from being transported into the state, discharged, disposed of, processed, or stored, in New Jersey.

The treatment of this specific type of waste is currently exempt from federal environmental laws. It is dangerous and irresponsible to allow waste that contains radioactive and carcinogenic materials to be treated, without regulation, in treatment plants that are not specifically designed to guarantee safe processing. As you are already aware, the costs associated with litigation and the clean-up of contamination far outweigh any potential short term financial gain.

We are extremely pleased that legislation to ban the treatment of hydraulic fracturing has successfully passed through both houses, and we look forward to you signing that legislation into law.

Thank you in advance for protecting our environment and our health.

Respectfully yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Toni Zimmer'. The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Toni Zimmer, President
League of Women Voters of New Jersey