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Senate of Pennsylvania

April 4, 2011

TO: All Senators
FROM:  Senator Lisa Baker
SUBJECT: Marcellus Shale-related bills

Please join me in cosponsoring two bills related to Marcellus Shale.

The first would require DEP and PEMA to develop regulations to provide for the adoption, posting and registration of a unique GPS coordinate address for each well and would also require oil and gas companies to develop and file emergency response plans with DEP, PEMA and the local emergency management organization that has jurisdiction over the well.

The second would require the Department of Environmental Protection to ensure that operators of wastewater treatment facilities permitted by DEP to treat and discharge wastewater from oil and gas activities are properly trained and monitored. This bill was Senate Bill 1451 from last session and the co-sponsors were Senators Erickson, Farnese, Folmer, Rafferty, Washington, D. White, Dinniman, Tomlinson and Boscola.

If you wish to co-sponsor either of these proposals, please contact Liz Clancy at LClancy@pasen.gov or by phone at 787-7428.

Thank you.