Dear Editor,

Although hydraulic fracturing has reduced the dependence of oil in the energy industry, scientist are worried on the environmental harm that the chemicals used in fracturing are causing especially on air and water pollution . This letter to the editor is a complaint on the effects that hydraulic fracturing has had on the environment. I agree that fracturing has improved the budget of the energy but at the same time caused great harm to the environment at a cost. I believe that fracturing is risky business and mostly affects those that live near the industries. There is a high level of methane gas in their drinking water. This puts the people both in the risk of illnesses and also burning as methane gas is highly flammable.

The author further criticizes the false preach that fracturing advocates have; that is that fracturing is environmental friendly which is evidently not so. The fracturing industry companies should comply with key environmental requirements such as the Clean Air Act, Safe Drinking Water Act and Clean Water Act just like the oil and gas industries comply with the regulations. Finally, I challenge the hydraulic fracturing industry to live up to its boasts of an environmental friendly fracturing environment. It is evident that hydraulic fracturing is putting the lives of those that live near the industries at risk through methane filled air and drinking water which is not safe for them.

Sincerely,

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