

Thank you for hearing my comments today. My name is Sandy Field and I live in Lewisburg, Pennsylvania. I am here today representing a group called No False Solutions PA that is a coalition of concerned residents of Pennsylvania and advocacy groups who seek to raise awareness of emerging technologies that are being presented to legislators and decision makers as solutions to the climate crisis but which are more expensive, more polluting, unproven, and less effective at reducing greenhouse gas emissions than current technologies such as wind, solar, and battery storage. These False Solutions include carbon capture and sequestration, hydrogen, advanced plastics recycling, and other technologies that are being proposed that seek only to continue the production of fossil fuels in the commonwealth. In addition, consideration of these technologies is particularly relevant to today's discussion of PFAS regulations as wastewater from both natural gas fracking and advanced plastics recycling contains these forever chemicals that are currently unregulated in wastewater and threaten the health of our rivers and drinking water. Today, the No False Solutions PA group has released a comprehensive and fully referenced report that presents our concerns about each of these emerging technologies in the context of Pennsylvania's 150-year legacy of oil and gas extraction that has sacrificed the physical and financial health of our communities and our environment to energy production. Investment at this time in these false solutions wastes valuable time and money on expensive and dirty technologies that will continue to harm our communities, particularly our environmental justice communities who already struggle under the burden of the oil and gas industry's pollution, without solving the climate crisis. No False Solutions PA is asking legislators, decision makers, regulators, and Pennsylvania residents to read the document and consider an alternative future for Pennsylvania in which we invest in clean, proven, jobs-producing renewable energy and storage technologies that have the potential to create a very bright future for our residents. As stated in Article 1, Section 27 of the Pennsylvania constitution, "The people have a right to clean air, pure water, and to the preservation of the natural, scenic, historic and esthetic values of the environment. Pennsylvania's public natural resources are the common property of all the people, including generations yet to come. As trustee of these resources, the Commonwealth shall conserve and maintain them for the benefit of all the people". The No False Solutions PA group asks that this right be a foremost consideration when evaluating whether to adopt emerging technologies, such as carbon capture and storage, hydrogen hubs, and advanced plastics recycling, as part of the Commonwealth's approach to fighting the climate crisis. The document can be found at [nofalsesolutionspa.org](http://nofalsesolutionspa.org) and I hope that Mr. Irvin can share this link in the chat for people who are participating online. Thank you for your attention.