



Governor Tom Corbett
Governor's Office
225 Main Building
Harrisburg, PA 17120

May 3, 2012

Dear Governor Corbett,

When Secretary Krancer said of Delaware: "Sometimes they smell like the tail of a dog..." he embarrassed himself, you and the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

It is despicable that such filthy language should be used by a high level public official representing the State of Pennsylvania in an attack against the Governor, environmental leader, and citizens of another State.

Gas drilling is a major health, safety, environmental, job, quality of life, and economic threat to our region and all those who depend upon the Delaware River and any river that is or could be ravaged by gas drilling. It is more than appropriate that the Governors of Delaware and New York, and their environmental leadership, would be taking steps to protect their citizens from these known harms.

That Pennsylvania has chosen to expose its citizens to immense health and environmental harm is a black mark for the State and certainly does not provide justification for such a filthy attack on the First State of the Nation, Delaware.

You owe Delaware and the people of Pennsylvania that you and Secretary Krancer represent, a full and absolute apology for this disgraceful and embarrassing attack.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Maya K. van Rossum". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Maya K. van Rossum
the Delaware Riverkeeper