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**Delaware Riverkeeper Network Continues its  
Shale Truth Interview Series with Dr. Anthony Ingraffea of  
Cornell University, Discussing the Environmentally Damaging  
Processes Used in Shale Gas Extraction**

*Bristol, PA* - On Wednesday August 28th, the Delaware Riverkeeper Network's Shale Truth Series begins a new set of interviews with Dr. Anthony Ingraffea of Cornell University, discussing the true environmental impacts of shale gas extraction. In this first interview segment Dr. Ingraffea, who grew up fishing and boating on the Delaware River, discusses how he became involved with investigating and talking to the public about the environmental damage caused by shale gas extraction.

Dr. Ingraffea also examines why the extraction process used by the oil and gas industry is so destructive and wasteful. Dr. Ingraffea is the Dwight C. Baum Professor of Engineering at Cornell.

**Maya van Rossum, the Delaware Riverkeeper**, said, "The industry claims their practices are safe, but the truth is pumping millions of gallons of chemicals into the earth to recover a small amount of gas puts water supplies and the public at risk. We have seen evidence of families whose wells have been contaminated by gas extraction. Many residents suffer health problems and are often forced to leave their homes."

The Delaware Riverkeeper Network is providing these interviews to offer an informed perspective on the impacts of shale gas development. The natural gas industry is spending millions of dollars on advertisements in an effort to sell shale gas as a cleaner and cheaper energy source; however, "this series

demonstrates the fallacies and out-and-out lies the industry is touting in order to further their industry that is doing so much harm to so many, including future generations,” added van Rossum.

All interviews in the Shale Truth series can be seen on the Delaware Riverkeeper Network’s YouTube Channel; a new segment premieres every Wednesday: <http://bit.ly/ShaleTruth>.

Earlier segments have featured energy industry analyst Arthur Berman discussing the real supply of natural gas and future prices, and landscape restoration expert Leslie Sauer examining the damage caused by gas pipeline installations.

The Delaware Riverkeeper Network, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit environmental organization, has been working since 1988 throughout the four states of the Delaware River watershed including New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania and Delaware. With more than 14,000 members, the Delaware Riverkeeper Network is a vital force in the Watershed, working to ensure the rich and healthy future that can only exist with a clean, healthy and free-flowing river system.

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