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**Statement from the Delaware Riverkeeper regarding Third Circuit Decision  
Delaware Riverkeeper Network v. Sec PA Dept Env Protection, No. 17-3299**

“The Third Circuit has now stripped everyday landowners’ rights to fair notice and an opportunity to engage the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection when a pipeline company proposes to discharge or withdrawal water from streams that run through their property. Indeed, these landowners would not even know the activity was taking place until it was already approved by the Department. The decision is wrong and does an injustice to those adversely affected by these pipelines,” said Maya van Rossum, the Delaware Riverkeeper and leader of the Delaware Riverkeeper Network.

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*Delaware Riverkeeper Network (DRN) is a nonprofit membership organization working throughout the four states of the Delaware River Watershed including Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Delaware and New York. DRN provides effective environmental advocacy, volunteer monitoring programs, stream restoration projects, public education, and legal enforcement of environmental protection laws.*

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