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## Press/Public Announcement On Wednesday, October 30<sup>th</sup>, Delaware Riverkeeper Network Premieres New Installment of Shale Truth Interview Series:

## "Examining the impact of climate change on storm severity"

Bristol, PA - Tomorrow marks the one-year anniversary of the day Super Storm Sandy hit the East Coast, causing \$68 billion in damage and claiming more than 117 lives. As part of the weekly Shale Truth Interview series, we resume our conversation with Cornell University Professor Anthony Ingraffea. Dr. Ingraffea says that, although there is no way to definitively link one weather event such as Hurricane Sandy to climate change, the science clearly shows that climate instability will result in more severe weather events including hurricanes, tornadoes and floods. He says the rate of severe weather events increased over the last decade as predicted by climate scientists.

**Maya van Rossum, the Delaware Riverkeeper**, said, "Shale gas extraction adds methane, a known greenhouse gas, to the atmosphere. We must turn to clean energy sources that don't contribute to climate problems."

The Delaware Riverkeeper Network is providing these interviews to offer a fully informed perspective on the impacts of shale gas development. The videos can be seen on the Delaware Riverkeeper Network's YouTube Channel at <a href="http://bit.ly/ShaleTruth">http://bit.ly/ShaleTruth</a>. New installments premiere every Wednesday.

Earlier segments have featured energy industry analyst Arthur Berman discussing the real supply of natural gas and future prices; landscape restoration expert Leslie Sauer examining the damage caused by gas pipeline installations; Cornell University Professor Anthony Ingraffea talking about the overall

environmental impacts of shale gas development; and Elizabeth Stanton, a senior economist with Synapse Energy. The discussion with Dr. Stanton on the economic impact of developing shale gas export facilities will continue in next week's segment.

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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