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Press/Public Announcement Delaware Riverkeeper Network Continues its Shale Truth Interview Series with Dr. Anthony Ingraffea of Cornell University "Energy Independence"

Bristol, PA - Tapping America's shale gas reserves will not lead to energy independence for the country: that's the assessment from Cornell University Professor Dr. Anthony Ingraffea in the Shale Truth Interview segment that premieres on Wednesday, September 25, 2013. Dr. Ingraffea says that, at best, the United States has only a 15 to 20 year supply of natural gas from shale formations -- not the 100 year supply the industry has touted.

Dr. Ingraffea, who is the Dwight C. Baum Professor of Engineering at Cornell University, also believes that calls to build natural gas export facilities will undercut efforts to make the country energy independent by sending the supply overseas.

Maya van Rossum, the Delaware Riverkeeper, said, "The numbers the gas industry puts out just don't add up when you examine how much natural gas may actually be available for extraction.

Consumers will continue to pay for expensive fossil fuels in the future. The smart approach is to invest in wind and solar as well as energy efficiency."

The Delaware Riverkeeper Network is providing these interviews to offer a fully 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, whereas "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 videos in the series can be seen on the Delaware Riverkeeper Network's YouTube Channel: http://bit.ly/ShaleTruth. New video segments premiere every Wednesday.

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) non-profit 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 10,000 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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