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Their samples from near fracked wells were from Dimock. It tells us what we already know, there was a problem at Dimock which allowed methane to leak from a well or wells into the ground water.

A truly unbiased study would encompass samples from across various areas of the state and across multiple gas drillers. This would help determine if specific drillers had processes or materials issues. Or if there was a general issue with methane leakage. In addition it should sample wells prior to drilling and after drilling to identify changes that may have been caused by drilling. It's not as if there was a shortage of new sites where such studies could be done.

When I couple this with the Cornell report that claims coal has less impact on global warming than gas, I have to wonder if the science departments changed to political science since I went to school?