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Re: Fracking Issues 101

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Quote:

I think we both agree that the engineering related to fracking is established and proven safe if followed.

To a point. I wouldn't say that ANY industrial practice is "proven safe", because none of them are. Nomatter what the procedures, you can't engineer to zero accidents. And even without accidents, they all still have negative impacts. Continuous improvement is a good thing, within reason. But here's the part I agree with:

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This whole thing is about rolling rocks (pun intended) in front of the gas industry.

You're right of course, and it's not within reason. Trying to improve on REAL concerns, or force individual companies to play by the rules? Fine. Inventing concerns to stop or slow entire industries at all costs? Not fine.

If opponents succeed in stopping them, or driving the price higher, what does it accomplish? We still need X amount of energy at the end of the day. Do we mine more coal? Import more oil? Are the issues with that better or worse?

There's an inevitable result of turning non-issues into issues. You pay more for dirtier forms of energy.