

# ***Petition to the House of Commons***

**WE, THE UNDERSIGNED** citizens of Canada, draw the attention of the House of Commons to the following:

**THAT** shale gas exploration and development in Canada is done using hydraulic fracturing (also known as “fracking”), a process that injects millions of litres of water laced with a huge number of chemicals underground at a high pressure, and the environment and health effects of hydraulic fracturing are not yet known and will not be known for many more months or even years.

**THEREFORE,** your petitioners call upon the House of Commons to meet the following requests:

- a) That an in-depth analysis be performed immediately on all the chemicals used in hydraulic fracturing for shale gas, and that companies be required to publicly disclose which chemicals they use;
- b) That a study on the risks to and effects on human health be undertaken by Health Canada, and that a cross-Canada public consultation be held on hydraulic fracturing for shale gas, especially in affected communities;
- c) That federal legislation be reviewed, especially the *Canada Water Act* and the *Canadian Environmental Protection Act*, in order that the provisions governing the protection of drinking water and water resources are adequate.

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