

Mr. Anthony F. Maciorowski
Deputy Director
EPA Science Advisory Board (1400F)
USEPA
1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, D.C. 20460

Dear Mr. Maciorowski:

I am writing in response to the Federal Register Notice of the Science Advisory Board (SAB), published on March 18, 2010, seeking comment on USEPA's Proposed Research Approach for Studying the Potential Relationships Between Hydraulic Fracturing and Drinking Water Resources (Study).

As governor of Oklahoma I serve with 37 of my fellow governors as members of the Interstate Oil & Gas Compact Commission (IOGCC). I served as the 2009 Chairman of IOGCC.

On July 6, 2009, I travelled to Washington DC for the sole purpose of meeting with USEPA Administrator Lisa Jackson to discuss IOGCC direct involvement in this Study. I outlined to the Administrator the fifty year history of successful regulation of hydraulic fracturing and vast reservoir of technical expertise of IOGCC member states. The Administrator assured me that IOGCC would have direct involvement and requested the contact information of IOGCC's Executive Director to coordinate same. As your Federal Register notice is the first contact we have received from USEPA I am taking this opportunity to advise SAB and reaffirm this commitment.

My schedule prevents my attendance at the April 7 & 8 public hearing, but I have directed my Secretary of Energy, Robert Wegener, to attend and present comments on behalf of myself and IOGCC.

Sincerely,

Cc: Lisa Jackson, USEPA Administrator
Robert Wegener, Oklahoma Secretary of Energy
Carl Michael Smith, Executive Director, Interstate Oil & Gas Compact Comm.