

## CITY OF EASTON

## PENNSYLVANIA

March 4, 2010

Ms. Pamela M. Bush Secretary Delaware River Basin Commission P.O. Box 7360 West Trenton, NJ 08628-0360

RE:

Public Comment – Stone Energy Dockets

Stone Energy Corporation Proposed Surface Water

Withdrawal and Natural Gas Well Site

<u>Draft Dockets D-2009-013-1 and D-2009-018-1</u>

## REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Dear Ms. Bush:

We are writing to request a thirty-day extension of the public comment period for the Stone Energy Dockets referenced above. This request is made on behalf of the City Council of the City of Easton, City Hall, One South Third Street, Easton, Pa. 18042.

The City of Easton is located within the watershed of the special protection waters of the Delaware River, and the Delaware River is the City of Easton's primary drinking water supply for its population of approximately 26,000 (U.S. Census, 2006 estimate). As a result, the City has a special interest in protection of the quality of the Delaware River.

We respectfully request a limited extension (30 days) of the public comment deadline for these dockets to allow the City to evaluate the potential environmental and water quality impact of the activities proposed to be permitted, so that we may be informed and enabled to make a reasoned judgment whether to offer public comments on the draft dockets and what those comments should be.

We thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

Elinor Warner Vice Mayor

CC:

Easton City Council

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