

Executive Director Steve Tambini
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Dear Mr. Tambini:

The Upper Delaware River Basin Citizens Association is an Association of landowners whom joined together to protect our rights, ensuring our economic viability and social culture for generations to come.

It has come to our attention that the DRBC has begun billing commercial landowners for septic permits, which are already regulated by and under the purview of PA DEP or NY DEC. We are requesting answers to our concerns regarding this:

- Where does the DRBC derive the authority to do this?
- What exactly is the DRBC permitting?
- What is the standard or threshold for what is acceptable?
- What are the guidelines and from whence did they originate?
- How does the DRBC arrive at the amount billed to municipal, industrial and commercial users who have SPDES permits and are already billed for their SPDES permits by their host States environmental regulatory agencies.

- Does the DRBC have a formula or rate sheet for permits administered by the DRBC? If so, our organization would like a copy of those documents to review for possible comment.
- How much money is generated on a State by State basis as a result of the DRBC billings for the DRBC discharge permits?
- How does the DRBC budget revenues generated by their discharge or usage permits?
- How does the DRBC justify the redundancy and the double billing for this?
- Does the DRBC also charge entities for water usage in the basin?
- If so does the DRBC have a formula or rate sheet for permits administered by the DRBC? If so, our organization would like a copy of those documents to review for possible comment.

We are anxiously awaiting your response in a timely manner.
Sincerely,

Ned Lang
President, Upper Delaware River Basin Citizens (UDRBC)

Cc: Governor Tom Wolf, Governor Chris Christie, Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, Governor John Carney, Colonel Leon F. Parrott, Wayne County Commissioner Brian Smith, PA Representative Jonathan Fritz, PA Representative Mike Peifer, U.S. Representative John Faso