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On Wednesday, November 6th, the Delaware Riverkeeper Network Premieres a New Installment of Shale Truth Interview Series: "Stranded Investment"

Bristol, PA - In this week's Shale Truth Interview segment, premiering at http://bit.ly/ShaleTruth on Wednesday, November 20th, the Delaware Riverkeeper Network continues interviewing Elizabeth Stanton, Ph.D., a Senior Economist with Synapse Energy. Dr. Stanton says using natural gas as an alternative power supply may leave many states with an obsolete energy infrastructure in the future. Stanton says many states won't be able to meet their long-term greenhouse gas cuts because of methane emissions from using natural gas. Those states will then need to invest in renewable sources such as solar and wind. The millions of dollars of investments states and individuals place in the natural gas infrastructure may be lost. Even worse, those states will be left paying for capital investments in a system that sits idle. Dr. Stanton is co-author of a white paper that reviewed a Department of Energy consultant's report on the impact of developing liquefied natural gas export terminals in the United States.

Maya van Rossum, the Delaware Riverkeeper, said, "Rate payers and investors might be on the hook for funding power plants and pipelines that will not be part of this country's energy future. We will also be stuck paying for the clean-up of the air and ground water pollution caused by shale gas extraction."

The Delaware Riverkeeper Network is providing these interviews to offer a fully informed perspective on the impacts of shale gas development. The videos can be seen on the Delaware Riverkeeper Network's YouTube Channel every Wednesday at http://bit.ly/ShaleTruth. The Shale Truth series will resume in December, but the Delaware Riverkeeper Network will continue to offer videos examining the issues surrounding shale gas development.

Earlier segments have featured energy industry analyst Arthur Berman discussing the real supply of natural gas and future prices; landscape restoration expert Leslie Sauer examining the damage caused by gas pipeline installations; Cornell University Professor Anthony Ingraffea talking about the overall environmental impacts of shale gas development.

The Delaware Riverkeeper Network, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit environmental organization, has been working since 1988 throughout the four states of the Delaware River watershed including New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania and Delaware. With more than 14,000 members, the Delaware Riverkeeper Network is a vital force in the Watershed, working to ensure the rich and healthy future that can only exist with a clean, healthy and free-flowing river system.

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