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STAKEHOLDERS COLLABORATE FOR ENVIRONMENTALLY RESPONSIBLE SHALE GAS RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

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The Shale Gas Revolution

 Marcellus Shale region production growth from ~1 Bcf/d in 2007 to over 16 Bcf/d as of March 2015.

MICHIGAN

INDIANA

PENNSYLVANIA

VIRGINIA

Technological improvements increasing drilling and

production efficiencies.

Dry and wet gas production.







Shale Gas - Community Benefits

- Employment Pennsylvania oil & gas employment grew by almost 260% 2007-2012 to over 15,000 workers.
- Community investments healthcare, recreational facilities, charities.
- Infrastructure improvements roadway and bridge improvements and maintenance
 - Taxes and fees





Shale Gas – Community Challenges

- Environmental concerns
 - Air
 - Water
 - Noise
- Human services and infrastructure stresses
 - Housing
 - Roadways
- Political
 - Taxation
 - Stakeholder pressures





Center for Sustainable Shale Development

- Conceived by John Hanger, former Secretary of the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection
- Formed to encourage, document and recognize best practices and to "Pull" the industry's environmental performance up.
- Organized to bring various stakeholders to a common

table: Benedum Foundation

Group Against Smog and

Chevron

Pollution (GASP)

Clean Air Task Force

Pennsylvania Environmental

CONSOL Energy

Council

Environmental Defense Fund

Shell

EQT Corporation



CSSD Board

- Paul O'Neill, 72nd Secretary of the U.S. Treasury and retired Chairman and CEO, Alcoa
- Armond Cohen, Executive Director, Clean Air Task Force
- Christine Todd Whitman, President, The Whitman Strategy Group; former Governor of New Jersey and Administrator of the EPA
- Jared Cohon, President Emeritus of Carnegie Mellon University (Chair)
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- Michael De Witt, General Manager, Appalachia, Shell
- Nigel Hearne, President, Chevron Appalachia
- Fred Krupp, President, Environmental Defense Fund
- Jane C.S. Long, formerly with Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory
- David Porges, CEO, EQT Corporation
- Davitt Woodwell, President, Pennsylvania Environmental Council



CSSD Aims and Goals

- Continuous improvement of operating practices
- Protection of water and air resources through attainment of its 15 performance standards (e.g. >90% water recycling).
- Continuous development of standards which exceed regulatory requirements to maintain relevancy.
- Building public awareness on excellence in industry performance.



Potential Water-Resource Issues

Sources of water impacts during exploration and production:

- Impact to surface-water and groundwater levels
- Disposal of drill cutting wastes
- Treatment of flowback and produced water
- Surface spills of hydraulic-fracturing fluids, flowback and produced water.
- Well integrity failure of casing and grout seals.



Environmental Performance Standards - Water

Eight Standards:

- Wastewater management
- 2. Flowback and produced water recycling
- 3. Drilling fluid management
- 4. Centralized water impoundments
- 5. Geological risk assessment
- 6. Groundwater monitoring
- 7. Well integrity and drilling fluid design/disclosure
- 8. Spill containment and emergency response





Potential Air-Resource Issues

Sources of air impacts during exploration and production:

- Production system leaks
- Exploration and production equipment venting
 - Pneumatic valves
 - Storage tanks
 - Compressor re-starting
- Engines and combustion sources





Environmental Performance Standards - Air

Seven Standards

- 1. Flaring Limitations
- 2. Flaring Conditions
- 3. Drill rig and frac pump engine emissions
- 4. Compressor engine emissions
- 5. Storage tank emissions
- 6. Fugitive emissions
- 7. Vehicle emissions





CSSD Certification

Steps to Certification

- Operator Application
- Pre-audit
- Audit
- Certification committee
- Annual Assurance





Value Proposition

Benefits to Participation

- Reputational: Improved Social License for participating organization and the industry through collaborative efforts to develop solutions rather than "shame and blame"
- Environmental: reductions in impacts and emissions
- Economic: return on investments



Challenges

- Assembling the "right" partners: Industry, NGOs, academia and others.
- Fighting the perception of industry "greenwashing"
- Working between the extremism in public discourse
- Industry investment
 - Financial capitol, personnel and certification investments
 - Executive and Management Commitment



Future Direction of the CSSD

- Evergreen standards and certification structure to maintain relevancy
- Considering new standards
- Regional adaptability
- Expanding participation



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Questions



