

There is no place for fracking in Michigan or anywhere in the United States for that matter. If this is how our energy future looks our environment and children are put at extreme risk. The process of fracking is inherently contaminating, and it uses up precious freshwater. When considering any plans for Michigan's energy future it is important to move away from coal and gas, two of the biggest contributors to environmental toxins. We know the science of climate change and we cannot afford to put anymore CO2 into the atmosphere, and we cannot afford to be so careless with our freshwater. That is why I think Michigan needs to initiate new legislature to help renewable energy gain a foothold on the energy market. To have a mixture of renewable and non renewable sources of energy easily accessible to Michigan residents would be ideal. So I propose lawmakers ban fracking in Michigan and start a gradual change from coal and gas to more renewable sources such as solar and wind. The manufacturing sector in Michigan would likely see a boost if companies started to demand renewable energy options be available to their consumers. We need strong legislation to help jump start manufacturing and sales of renewable energy, there is enough public interest in such so marketing should be the easiest part of the equation. Thank you.