

SHALE GAS RAP (by Helen Hanna)

We're here to perform this Raging Granny ditty
But we warn you right now; it ain't very pretty.
It's a tale of permits for shale gas exploration
In force before citizens have any explanation.

They can make a toxic mixture of chemicals you see
And send it down with water, pure H2O that's free,
And now, contaminated, it brings up gaseous treasure
For ~~Lucien and his companies~~ -- a fortune without measure.
private corporations

The water? It returns to be trucked to distant towns
To be cleaned up, they hope -- oh, what a bunch of clowns!
Or it might flow to aquifers to spoil our water sources;
We call upon the government to make them hold their horses.

A second lovely side effect is gas released in air;
We're left with suspect water, air pollution -- it ain't fair!
We're talking about places where air pollution's now a curse
But venting of the gas wells will make it much, much worse.

And even now inspection shows well leaks have let fuel pass
And what comes out is methane, a potent greenhouse gas.
We cry out for moratorium, more testing, common sense.
~~Charcot should~~ note the citizens are getting pretty tense.
Watch out!

But if we're really lucky some day without a doubt
We'll turn on our tap for water and flames will come out.
It happened in Pennsylvania so why can't it happen here?
To speed the show along/just give drilling an all clear.

Let's make ~~Lucien and his companies~~ *those corporations* as happy as can be
With luck they'll get some gas to sell though there's no guarantee.
No sweat, they say, the project is really problem free.
'Cause costs are environmental, to you and to me.

Hydrofracturing Sucks

(Tune: "Battle Hymn of the Republic")

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Canada's

The ~~USA~~'s addicted now to fossil fuel and oil,
And hydrofracking's on the rise; that **makes** our blood just boil.
We know that fracking will destroy our **water** and our soil....
Hydrofracturing just sucks!

CHORUS:

(So) **Take** your freakin' frackin' drills and **keep** 'em from our
town,

We don't want your fracking turning **all** our water brown,
Take your freakin' frackin' drills or we will shut you down!
Hydrofracturing just sucks.

It **blows** in nasty chemicals and **poisons** all the water;
And **causes** quakes beneath the earth – a **thing** it shouldn't oughta;
We **want** safe drinking water for our **sons** and for our daughters,
But hydrofracturing just sucks!

CHORUS