Pennsylvania State Officials and the Natural Gas Industry:



Department of Environmental Protection



Pennsylvania Governors



James Seif

Upon leaving government work, joined Ridge Global, where he remains today.

Tom Ridge

Served as Governor from 1995 to 2001. He would eventually found the consulting firm, Ridge Global.

Dave Hess

Left government to join the lobbying firm Crisci, which represents many gas companies.



2001

2003

1995

Ed Rendell

Served as governor from 2003 to 2011. Unsuccessfully pushed for a severance tax. However, he has since said he does not regret not issuing a ban.

Katie McGinty

Secretary from 2003 to 2008. Left DEP for NRG Energy and other firms. Her recent Senate campaign was criticized for its many donations from gas companies.



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John Hanger

Served from 2008 to 2011, overseeing the shale gas boom. He left office to join the lobbing firm Eckert Seamans Cherin & Mellott, LLC, a member of the Marcellus Shale Coalition.

2008

Tom Corbett

Governor from 2011 to 2015, overseeing much of the fracking expansion in PA. An enthusiastic supporter of fracking, Corbett defended the controversial impact fee. The gas industry poured millions into his campaigns.

Michael Krancer

Once famously said that while at the DEP his "job was to get gas done." Both before and after his time in the DEP, Krancer has worked for Blank Rome, a law and lobbying firm in the Marcellus Shale Coalition.



John Quigley

Appointed by Governor Tom Wolf. A committed environmental advocate, Quigley quickly made enemies with gas advocates and resigned abruptly.

2011

2015

Tom Wolf

Campaigned on tougher restrictions against the gas industry, including the unsuccessful implementation of a 5% severance tax. Wolf's campaign also accepted donations from gas industries, leading many to fear his administration would be more of the same friendly policies.