



Recommended Practices for Natural Gas Development

Another Step in Getting This Historic Opportunity Right for Our Region

Across the Commonwealth, Pennsylvania's natural gas producers are raising the bar to protect our air, water, and land while maximizing the economic and energy security benefits of this clean-burning energy resource.

The nearly 300 member companies of the Marcellus Shale Coalition (MSC) – from drillers to suppliers, environmental scientists to engineers – understand that responsible natural gas development must respond to the needs and concerns of all relevant stakeholders, including conservation organizations, the public and other key stakeholder groups.

That's why the MSC has begun a comprehensive and rigorous process of establishing and publishing **Recommended Practices** on all elements of Marcellus development – from drilling and completion to safety and site restoration. Along the way, we're engaging others in the process, to ensure the collaboration we need to get this historic opportunity right.

These **Recommended Practices** are the latest way we're living out the **Guiding Principles** that define our mission and our legacy.

We, the members of the MSC, embrace and operate by the following **Guiding Principles**:

- We provide the safest possible workplace for our employees, our contractors, and in the communities in which we operate;
- We implement state-of-the-art environmental protection across our operations;
- We continuously improve our practices and seek transparency in our operations;
- We strive to attract and retain a talented and engaged local workforce;
- We are committed to being responsible members of the communities in which we work;
- We encourage spirited public dialogue and fact-based education about responsible shale gas development; and
- We conduct our business in a manner that will provide sustainable and broad-based economic and energy security benefits for all.

We recognize that to succeed in business, we must not only embrace these principles, we must live by them each and every day. This will be our legacy.

For more information on the MSC's **Recommended Practices**, which will be released throughout 2012, visit www.MarcellusCoalition.org.



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