**Mercury**

169 Words

Acting Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Administrator Andrew Wheeler, a former coal lobbyist, has been nominated to fulfill the position permanently. As the Senate considers Wheeler’s nomination, Americans are calling out Wheeler for his refusal to make basic commitments to protect our health and environment.

At his confirmation hearing, Wheeler refused to answer for his undermining of mercury pollution standards that reduce toxic mercury, lead, and arsenic poisoning released from power plants, threatening children, pregnant women, and developing babies. Mercury is a potent neurotoxin that causes permanent damage to the brains of babies and unborn children, leading to developmental delays, learning disabilities, and birth defects.

[STATE DEMONYM]s overwhelmingly support lifesaving consumer protections like those on mercury and other deadly toxins – that’s why we know the EPA should be led by someone who is committed to fulfill the agency’s mission to protect our health and the environment. Now it’s up to [SENATOR] to stand up to Wheeler’s toxic agenda and vote against his nomination – or [STATE] families will pay the price.

**Parent**

180 Words

My kid[s] love[s] to play outside. But Acting EPA Administrator Andrew Wheeler’s attacks on lifesaving health and climate protections like methane pollution standards, the Clean Power Plan, and clean car standards are putting their health and well-being at risk. After working for months to weaken these critical public health safeguards, making it especially dangerous for [STATE] children with asthma to breathe outside, Wheeler wants a promotion to permanently lead the federal agency most responsible for protecting our health and the environment.

Not on my watch.

I’d never put my child in harm’s way, but that’s exactly what Wheeler is doing. Wheeler, a former coal lobbyist, is asking for license to pollute as EPA administrator. For the sake of [STATE] children, [SENATOR] must ask Wheeler to stop these rollbacks that are putting my family’s health at risk.

I fulfill a promise every day to my kids/daughter/son: to make sure the promise of their future is as bright as possible. It’s time that Wheeler promise to fulfill the EPA’s mission to protect our health and environment – not force through his toxic agenda.

**PFOA/PFAS**

173 Words

Safe drinking water should never be up for debate. But Trump’s nominee to lead the EPA, Andrew Wheeler, is putting ours at risk, allowing children and families to be exposed to dangerous chemicals known as PFAS. EPA’s own science has shown these chemicals are linked to severe health impacts like cancer, thyroid disease, and weakened childhood immunity – and senators from both parties have expressed concern over Wheeler’s willingness to endanger [STATE DENONYM] families.

The EPA’s mission is to protect our health and environment, but Wheeler has instead spent his time rolling back lifesaving health and climate protections, bowing to the corporate polluters he used to work for. From safe drinking water to mercury poisoning, Wheeler’s rollbacks directly target the health and safety of [STATE] families. And he has refused to commit to stopping these reckless threats to our children and communities.

[STATE DEMONYM]s overwhelmingly support lifesaving consumer protections like those on mercury, PFAS, and other deadly toxins. [SENATOR] must vote against Wheeler’s nomination and his toxic agenda that puts [STATE] communities at risk.