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**From:** Leatra Harper <[wewantcleanwater@gmail.com](mailto:wewantcleanwater@gmail.com)>  
**Sent:** Friday, February 18, 2022 1:29 PM  
**To:** Butler, Matthew <[matthew.butler@puco.ohio.gov](mailto:matthew.butler@puco.ohio.gov)>  
**Subject:** Fwd: Please help Kevin Young!

Dear Mr. Butler,

We are forwarding additional information about the serious situation caused by the Guernsey Power Station mine stabilization and construction. Can you please advise if the PUCO will conduct due diligence regarding permitting parameters and modifications, as well as unpermitted operations by private individuals that have caused potentially very serious air and water contamination? In the meantime, we will continue to conduct air and water quality monitoring as well as to investigate possible subsurface pressurization. We will keep you apprised of our results. In the meantime, we understand the GPS was supposed to bring city water into the homes of impacted residents, but all that was brought was a tap, so the Youngs still do not have running water. Also, Seneca Lane needs to be more properly maintained from the mud and dust problems caused by construction and construction vehicles. If there is anything you can do to help with the more immediate issues, it would be greatly appreciated!

Best,

Lea Harper  
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**From:** Leatra Harper <[wewantcleanwater@gmail.com](mailto:wewantcleanwater@gmail.com)>  
**Date:** Wed, Feb 9, 2022 at 3:22 PM  
**Subject:** Re: Please help Kevin Young!  
**To:** [Jessica.Langdon@epa.ohio.gov](mailto:Jessica.Langdon@epa.ohio.gov) <[Jessica.Langdon@epa.ohio.gov](mailto:Jessica.Langdon@epa.ohio.gov)>  
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Thank you, Jessica - I am also following up with the Ohio Department of Health, copied here, and waiting to hear from them. There are high levels of methane also found outside the residence, so we will be following up with additional testing for that as well as other harmful contaminants. The greatest air pollution was from the injection for mine stabilization, with harmful particulates also found inside the home. We are requesting testing from the agencies to verify our initial results. We will keep you posted.

Thanks again,  
Lea

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On Wed, Feb 9, 2022 at 3:01 PM [Jessica.Langdon@epa.ohio.gov](mailto:Jessica.Langdon@epa.ohio.gov) <[Jessica.Langdon@epa.ohio.gov](mailto:Jessica.Langdon@epa.ohio.gov)> wrote:

Ms. Harper,

I wanted to get back to you about your message after I consulted with staff.

Indoor air quality is not within Ohio EPA's jurisdiction. This would be under the Ohio Department of Health.

As I believe we have mentioned before, our Agency also does not regulate private wells and the facility has complied with the necessary UIC permit requirements regarding groundwater. Private drinking wells would also fall under the jurisdiction of Ohio Department of Health.

Thank you,

Jessica Langdon  
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**From:** Leatra Harper <[wewantcleanwater@gmail.com](mailto:wewantcleanwater@gmail.com)>  
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Subject: Re: Please help Kevin Young!

Dear All,

I am waiting to hear something from someone about this ongoing serious situation. Adding Jackson Township Trustees as well because with the snow that fell last week, Kevin just told me that no snow plow has cleared out Seneca Lane. Now it is so packed down that it is icy and treacherous, and this is a safety hazard. Kevin said that both Valley and Jackson township would plow Seneca Lane, but so far, no one has. Each time I talk with Kevin, I will document issues on his behalf because he has enough to deal with, and that's what friends do. Kevin is concerned that he will face retaliation if he complains, but I thought you would want to know.

Best,  
Lea

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On Wed, Jan 19, 2022 at 9:56 PM Leatra Harper <[wewantcleanwater@gmail.com](mailto:wewantcleanwater@gmail.com)> wrote:

Dear All,

In our continuing requests for help, I am forwarding what I received from Kevin today:

**kevin young**

2:55 PM (6 hours ago)

to me

I'm going to shut the water off and drain the pipes. I've had to buy a washing machine now the water softener is bad two water heaters and can't use the stove I'll send you 3 pictures but it will be separately it's the only way I can get it to send this is today's episode it's not what it looks like it's my water it's all iron and whatever build up

In addition to this, I am attaching a picture sent today of the Youngs' water and a picture of Kevin's finger with an infection that could be caused by bacteria from fracking-related waste if it had been mixed and injected and migrated into his water supply. Please see the attached report about test results showing dangerous bacteria in Kemble's water well in Dimock and this report that may explain what happened to Kevin's finger:

We report a case of soft tissue infection with *Kluyvera cryocrescens* and a critical review of *Kluyvera* infections. A 31-year-old diabetic man used a new chemical for stripping the floor with his bare hands. Two days later he developed a blister on a finger which progressed to tenosynovitis in spite of intravenous nafcillin therapy. After 11 days culture and sensitivity results dictated treatment with intravenous ticarcillin/clavulanic acid. The wound was debrided twice, and later a skin flap was done. Wound cultures became sterile after 7 days of treatment with ticarcillin/clavulanic acid, and he recovered. This case represents the fourth clinical infection with *K. cryocrescens* and the eighteenth of *Kluyvera* to be reported. Four others were *K. ascorbata*, and the remaining ten *Kluyvera* infections in humans were not identified beyond genus. Our case and review of the 17 previous cases emphasize that while *Kluyvera* rarely cause disease, these opportunistic Gram-negative bacilli may be virulent in a variety of sites under as yet poorly defined host conditions. Sites of infection varied, but the brain and meninges were not among them. Two patients had diabetes mellitus, none had AIDS, and four died. Once shown clinically to be the cause of an infection, *Kluyvera* deserve aggressive treatment which acknowledges their ampicillin resistance.

<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/9884842/>

Some of the bacteria found are also associated with interstitial lung disease, which Kevin has.  
If this bacteria is, in fact, in Kevin's water, that means it has likely reached Wills Creek as well.

This is why we will continue to document these serious concerns and ask for your help.

Best,  
Lea

On Tue, Jan 18, 2022 at 11:57 PM Leatra Harper <[wewantcleanwater@gmail.com](mailto:wewantcleanwater@gmail.com)> wrote:

For clarity, I see I copied and pasted from a Word document transcription and omitted the intro, "Per my phone conversation with Kevin Young today, I am requesting your attention to this urgent matter. This is what Kevin told me, but he also said he was concerned there might be retaliation for speaking out, so I am doing so for him. This is my transcription of our conversation:"

I hope this clarifies and that our continuing documentation gets him the help he needs to be able to get in and out of his driveway which is below the road now, especially since the neighbors who are not complaining seem to have preferential treatment.

He also needs safe drinking water asap.

Thank you,  
Lea

On Tue, Jan 18, 2022, 6:41 PM Leatra Harper <[wewantcleanwater@gmail.com](mailto:wewantcleanwater@gmail.com)> wrote:

Caithness was going to build a road and not use the road in front of Youngs' property, but they decided they would fix up Seneca Lane the way they needed it. Beaver Excavating did and mixed the silica dust, and they did not resurface the road, but ground it up with their machines and mixed it to make the road, and built up the road in front of Kevin's house. So there is 1 - 2 ft. of fill that built the road up. So when they raised the road up that much, Kevin had to have 23 tons of asphalt to build a ramp just to get out of his driveway. Now with all the water and the way it was done, all the water melts down (Kevin was a foot higher than Seneca Lane before they did it). Now he has to climb up to get out of his house, and there is no way to get out of his house right now because of the ice from the run off. So Kevin had too much ice and snow below him, so the four-wheeled tractor that he had come out last night to keep his driveway open could not plow it. Kevin's wife may need emergency care, but there is no way to get in or out of his house right now. Now there is just a one-way road in front of Kevin's house, and when he finally did get a tractor to get him out, he still had to plow the road in front of him. Kevin believes this is all spite because of his lawsuit. For the house that is next to him, the power station put a

turnaround for his neighbor so they could park their vehicles, and they did the same thing for their friend Brent Ball next door. When they got to the beginning of Kevin's house, they skipped it just like they owned it themselves. Yesterday, there was no way anyone could get to Kevin's house if Marlene needed an ambulance, but today, he had to pay for someone to plow him out today and put down salt for Marlene's chemo treatment tomorrow. The rest of his parking lot is still ice, but at least he has a ramp to get out onto this home, but it's only a one-lane road in front of his house, and if anyone is coming from Rt. 821, he cannot see it when he pulls out, so he is hoping that he does not pull out in front of someone when he pulls out. Caithness was supposed to cut the trees back in the contract so he could see, but they left those trees up against the road, so Kevin cannot see to get out of his driveway. Now he has to pull out into a single lane road that has zero visibility.

Also, according to the original agreement, Kevin was told that he was supposed to have water brought into his home from the tap. Is that true? Because Kevin can not and should not be running water in his house. He passed out last week after running water to keep his water lines from freezing. He needs safe water brought into his house right away because what comes out of his tap is toxic.

The Youngs' house is full of dust because of the mixing that was done on the laydown yard for the injection for solidification, not more than 50 ft. from Kevin's house. The dust is still there. H. Kallipolitis did come out to see the dust in the house, but said it was not the OEPA but the ODNR who was responsible for all the dust. A couple pictures are below.

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When the Howard company and another one had the big machines and were grinding all the dirt for injection, that was right beside Kevin's house. If that involved frack waste, that could explain the sickness they immediately experienced and also the toxicity of the water.

Like the Moore's said to me before they were forced to move, Kevin said he feels like he is being deliberately harassed as well and is afraid to complain because things could be made worse for him. That is why I am documenting on his behalf. Someone has to come help the Youngs and take a look at all that has been done to them.

Thank you,  
Lea

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