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I find the Harper government's abusive disregard for Canadian democracy and the Canadian environment extremely distressing.

It is clear that, under Harper's leadership, Canada's government is listening to industry, and ignoring both the public and its obligations to maintain high environmental standards as set out under the NAAEC.

ALSO, I find it offensively absurd that, under NAFTA, the provincial government of Quebec must tolerate being sued by American companies because it wants to respect the wishes of its citizens and assess the impacts of fracking BEFORE exposing vast swaths of fresh water and agricultural resources to serious risks of contamination and long-term damage.

We need the NAAEC to MEAN SOMETHING!!!

- Please tell the Canadian government that bringing its changes to the Fisheries Act and the Navigable Waters Protection Act into law would be a violation of the NAAEC.
- Please guarantee public involvement in major changes to environmental laws and to give the public recourse when environmental standards are weakened in order to placate industry or to gain a trade advantage.
- Please help us regain our right to participate in environmental decision-making and protect us from governments that fail to live up to the commitments made in the NAAEC.