DANGERS SURFACE
Gas drilling hazards not limited to below ground; reporting of accidents often buried in bureaucracy

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A Times-Tribune review of recently filed oil and gas drilling spills, leaks and contamination incidents revealed hundreds of problems in well sites since the beginning of 2011. It also highlighted a lack of communication, as environmental agency charges with regulating Marcellus Shale drilling in Pennsylvania.

Drilling liquids, New Mexi-
co, New York, West Virginia and oth-
er states have triggered a public database detailing spills or contamination incidents.

The Department of Environmental Protection’s online “Drills” database, which enables public searches of any permitted facilities in the state, lists 109 of them were categorized as such.

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SLAYING: Man recalls his mother screaming before her death

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Through tears, the afternoon of Dec. 31, 2007, and the weeks following, became a violent phase of his life. Two days earlier, police said an angry husband, having remade himself with a make-shift spear — made from a bed post and an ax — had attacked his wife, his mother-in-law and their son.

Jan. 1, 2008, police said the 66-year-old man had fled Scranton after attacking his family.

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Spills and leaks near a Marcellus Shale site

An accident at a Marcellus Shale site in late 2007 caused a plume of gas and wastewater to seep into a wetland, triggering a flagging system in the state and federal databases.

The spill was not the first one at the site, which was owned by Three Lambs Energy. The company generated over a million gallons of waste at the site before it shut down operations in late 2007.

The incident was reported to the state Department of Environmental Protection, but the company was not fined for the spill.

The spill was one of several accidents at the site that triggered a flagging system in the state and federal databases.

The company was fined for other violations at the site, but it was not fined for the spill.

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