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Labor Environmental Coalition Blasts Christie Red Tape Report
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The New Jersey Work Environment Council (WEC), an alliance of 70 labor, environmental, and community organizations working for safe, secure jobs and a healthy, sustainable environment issued the following statement today concerning the Christie Administration's *Red Tape Review Group Findings and Recommendations* issued on April 19, 2010:

According to WEC Director Rick Engler, "Governor Christie's Red Tape Review Group is a blueprint for endangering workers and community members who suffer from deadly toxic chemical exposures. Eliminating the Toxic Catastrophe Prevention rules would place at risk thousands of New Jerseyans who live nearby or work in our states most hazardous chemical plants. Withdrawing the Executive Order establishing the Environmental Justice Advisory Council perpetuates the disproportionate polluting of New Jersey's low-income communities.

The Red Tape recommendations are a wish fulfilled for corporate executives who want increased profits, but there is no evidence that implementing them will save or create one job."

The full report is at:

http://www.nj.gov/governor/news/news/552010/pdf/20100419_rtr_final_report.pdf

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