



### **Dangerous Delay in EPA Methane Rule**

Our friends from the Franciscan Action Network have shared with us that the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has issued an incredibly dangerous order for a two year delay on methane pollution standards. These standards keep our kids healthy and protect God's earth. Freezing standards that cut oil and gas methane pollution put God's creation and children in particular in danger.

The official notice from the EPA states "EPA believes that the environmental health or safety risk addressed by this action may have a disproportionate effect on children... Any impacts on children's health caused by the delay in the rule will be limited, because the length of the proposed stay is limited." [[EPA's Proposal for Two-Year Stay, Page 19](#)] God's children are precious and there is no amount of time that it's okay for our kids to be exposed to air pollution from the oil and gas industry.

### **Take Action**

Now is the time to let your voice be heard and urge the EPA to not delay on the Methane Rule. Follow [this link](#) and then click on the "Comment Now!" button on the right side of the page to leave a comment on this proposed EPA delay.

Here is an example of what you might say:

*As a person of faith, I believe the suspension of the methane pollution rule for new and modified oil and gas facilities is harmful to people and planet. God has entrusted us to care for this wonderful creation and all people who inhabit it. These rules were put in place to ensure no further damage is done to our Mother Earth. No amount of time is acceptable for children and animals to be exposed to dangerous pollutants. I oppose the delay on implementing pollution standards.*

Comments must be received on or before August 9, 2017.