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Wilma Subra is president of Subra Company and provided technical assistance to citizens, across the United States and some foreign countries, concerned with their environment and human health by combining technical research and evaluations. She has a BS and MS in Microbiology and Chemistry from the University of Southwestern Louisiana (University of Louisiana at Lafayette). She has over 52 years of experience in sampling and chemical and microbiologic analysis of ground water, surface water resources, air and waste, monitoring the environmental impacts of oil, gas and shale drilling and production activities, waste treatment and disposal practices, impacts of industrial facilities and associated human health impacts.

She has completed a seven year term as Vice-Chair of the Environmental Protection Agency National Advisory Council for Environmental Policy and Technology (NACEPT), a five year term on the National Advisory Committee of the U. S. Representative to the Commission for Environmental Cooperation and a six year term on the EPA National Environmental Justice Advisory Council (NEJAC) where she served as a member of the Cumulative Risk and Impacts Working Group of the NEJAC Council, and chaired the NEJAC Gulf Coast Hurricanes Work Group. In 2011, she chaired the Environmental Protection Agency Technical Workshop for the Hydraulic Fracturing Study on Chemical and Analytical Methods. She participated in the EPA Shale Technical Roundtables on Water Acquisition, Chemical Mixing, and Well Injection in November 2012. She co-chaired the EPA Shale Analytical Chemical Methods Workshop in February 2013. She currently serves as chair of the STRONGER Air Guidelines Work Group.

She received the MacArthur Fellowship "Genius" Award from the MacArthur Foundation in 1999 for helping ordinary citizens understand, cope with and combat environmental issues in their communities. She also received the 2011 Domestic Human Rights Award from the Global Exchange for her dedication to human rights issues.