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RE: Citizens Petition to Amend Water Quality Rules, PRB Resource Counsel et al.

Dear Mr. Gordon,

I am also a citizen of Wyoming and employed by the CBM industry. I understand the concerns of the petition written by Ranching land owners, most of which have also benefited richly from CBM industry in royalties from gas and water produced and have agreed to the surface use of the land fully knowing and understanding the processes of obtaining methane from the ground. I believe we can target water quality issues in areas that seem to have the most problem with the ground water. I believe there has to be efforts to work with both sides of this matter and not strictly focused on driving out and damaging the CBM industry by forcing them to stop and or fix all existing in use wells prior to this petition. Ranching landowners benefit there is no "guise" as they state in the Petition, they benefit from CBM wells financially and often complain when a well isn't producing as it had in the past - even taking matters into their own hands, when they notice royalty checks drop and they also benefit as users of our shared energy these wells produce, they are sitting on both sides of the fence on this issue and they do not represent a whole consensus on this issue.

The legal petition seems very targeted and empathetic mainly towards the ranching land owners but don't forget us families working responsibly in the CBM industry and the huge financial impact these changes would have on the CBM industry. In these days of high energy costs, we should understand discovering, changing and conserving our resources is here to stay and we should be focused on ways to not drive away these alternative sources in our energy abundant state but resolve the issues without driving out the industries working in the US to provide and discover different forms of energy for all of us to use in Wyoming and the United States. We all use Fuel, we all use electricity we all use water, yet all of us forget and take for granted where it comes from and the cost in processing it takes before it's a usable form of energy. let's not add to the cost by impacting the very industry we come to rely on for low cost energy. we will only hurt ourselves.

For people using land for ranching that is there industry and for people producing energy it is ours we need to co-exist harmoniously without seriously impacting each other and adapt as needed to *reasonably* accommodate each other. We have to face it, our country relies on all sources of viable energy and we all use it - Open pit Coal Mining supports this area and so does CBM by doing away or forcing financial changes to the way it's produced will also impact CBM Companies ability to employ and produce here in an already extremely low profit industry and energy resources in high demand. I work for a very responsible company when it comes to the safety of its employee's with a strong ethical responsibility to the lands we develop and drill there isn't a more responsible company, we need to target the wells or areas with the highest natural water concerns on case by case basis when it's determined. We need to work together and live together we need to make this a win/win situation for all and not drive out industry that supports our economy and many families in this state. The CBM "energy" industry is how many of us make a living and supports our families in Wyoming and how I have established a place for myself in this state and I believe these changes will significantly affect our cost of our energy and the employment of many people the way it is currently being proposed, and it should not be approved as petitioned, please consider the impact to all of us.

Respectfully,

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