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Terri A. Lorenzon, Director
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Mr. Mark Gordon, Chairman
Wyoming Environmental Quality Council,

Re: Citizen Petition for Rulemaking

To all concerned and appointed parties,

My name is Robert Lawson, my family and I have B & B Roustabout Service, Inc, a service company in the Powder River Basin. I personally have been in this business for 37 years. We employ 35 employees with a 1.2 million dollar payroll. This industry supports our households as well as numerous employees and their families. The CBM development is an essential element in our lives and we have grown along side of this resource development.

We have worked in CBM since the start in the 1980's, have witnessed many improvements by the industry as a whole; as well as understanding it as a community. With the 50 years I personally have in oil and gas industry there have been new concepts, better knowledge in areas such as policy, and showing the conscience that is shown in care for our environment, as everyone in Wyoming is effected by the mineral industries.

We are in support of environmental quality, but by changing the rule the EQC would not be protecting existing use of CBM water by ranchers, livestock and wildlife that ranchers will suffer damage if the rule is passed. We are neighbors with John D. Carter, Chuck Rourke and several others. Their livestock have improved in overall health and grazing and water access has been the major contribution to overall improvements. This water being water discharged from CBM production.

The overall effect of any change in the manner purposed would be felt in economic ways to our fine state, in taxes, scholarships for our young students, companies would be forced to reduce their number of employees, livestock and agricultural growth would be set back in ways felt by all. We do understand that problems with some people might exist, but changing water quality rules will not fix or create a solution to the issues they may have in their areas of Wyoming. As citizens we all would like to see that all avenues of problem solving be addressed before any drastic changes take place in the water quality rules.

Robert W. Lawson
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