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Mr. Mark Gordon, Chairman
Wyoming Environmental Quality Council
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Cheyenne, WY 82002

Dear Mr. Gordon,

I am writing to you in regards to the Petition to Amend Wyoming Water Quality Rule, Chapter 2, Appendix H dated December 7, 2005.

My name is Jan Miller and I do indeed work for Marathon Oil Corporation. I am a life long resident of the state of Wyoming and have worked for both the coal mining and coalbed methane industries of many years.

The petition states that the water produced from the CBM wells is hazardous to families, land and livestock. This water has been used and utilized by ranchers in the Powder Basin area for years. I remember coming to Gillette from the big town of Buffalo in the seventies and how bad the water was. In fact we told everyone not to drink the water. I feel that the water has greatly improved in Gillette.

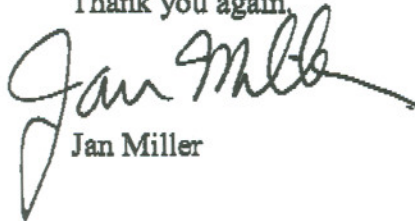
I understand that the petition wants the quality of CBM water to be better than the drinking water. In all practicality it is better. Many land owners are happy that the water is being pumped to the surface as they can water the land and their cattle. I'm not sure if it is global warming, but we are facing a drought situation here in Wyoming. This water is helping the residents and the environment.

I'll admit that there are some companies that don't care what they do as long as they received a profit from it. Luckily we live in the United States and we have citizens who work for oil and gas companies that care what happens. These environmental people are passionate about their work. They do everything they can to ensure that we are following the rules and suggest new rules that work for Wyoming. I really believe that if they were concerned as to what coalbed methane was doing, they would quit working for the methane companies and join forces with you to see that the land we love is taken care of.

I sincerely appreciate your letting me voice my opinions. There will always be some people that you can't please. This petition only lists a handful of local ranchers who are not happy with what coalbed methane has done for them. There are handfuls of people

everywhere who do not like what government or technology is making them do. But if it was up to these individuals, we wouldn't have automobiles, computers, growth in Wyoming, a place to work for our young people, etc. We really need to look at what is important for Wyoming and it should be heard from the residents of Wyoming, not a small dissatisfied handful.

Thank you again.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jan Miller". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long, sweeping underline that extends to the right and then loops back down to the left.

Jan Miller