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Mr. Mark Gordon  
Chairman  
Wyoming Environmental Quality Council  
122 West 25<sup>th</sup> Street  
Cheyenne, WY 82002

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Terri A. Lorenzon, Director  
Environmental Quality Council

RE: Wyoming Quality Council

To Mr. Gordon:

My name is Natalie Sisti, I am 25 years old and have been a resident of Campbell County Wyoming for the past eight years. I have worked in the oil and gas industry for Big Basin Petroleum, LLC since December of 2001. Not only has this industry supported my life and my family of six it has been a building ground for my education and career.

Unfortunately, I was unable to attend the meeting concerning the proposed rule changed. However I have followed closely and read many articles pertaining to this issue. From my understanding, there are ten families and one resource council petitioning to amend the water quality rules by trying to create regulations making it impossible for any Coal Bed Methane water discharge to pass guidelines. In effect these guidelines are intended to force CBM operators to shut down.

This impact would greatly damage several communities that have thrived from the financial boom due to this industry. As for my company, in the past year Big Basin has paid over \$225,000 in severance tax, \$4,055 in conservation taxes, and \$100,000 in county taxes. When it comes to landowners, our company has paid over \$200,000 to annual road rentals and surface damages.

When you take into consideration the thousands if not ten's of thousands of lives that this industry positively impacts, it simply does not make sense to try to shut it down because ten families do not feel as though they were compensated enough.

Sincerely,

Natalie Sisti  
Bookkeeper/Regulatory Specialist  
Big Basin Petroleum, LLC