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Mr. Mark Gordon, Chariman
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122 W. 25th Street
Cheyenne, WY 82002

RE: Citizen Petition for Rulemaking
Powder River Basin Resource Council.

Dear Mr. Gordon,

Our company recently purchased a drilling company as well as a workover company in the Powder River Basin. We currently employ over 50 persons working primarily on CBM wells. If this petition is passed, not only will it affect our employees, but it will also affect our families and numerous Wyoming communities as well. There are so many people in this industry that rely on CBM as their sole source of income. The negative impact of this petition would not only be devastating on the communities of Wyoming but on our nation as a whole. Exploration and production in Wyoming can easily continue with laws and regulations that are reasonable. This petition is completely unreasonable.

Thank you in advance for your time and consideration.

Sincerely yours,

RICHARDSON OPERATING COMPANY

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Vice President