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Mr. Mark Gordon Chairman Wyoming Environmental Quality Council 122 W. Herschler Bldg., Room 1714 Cheyenne, WY 82002

Dear Mr. Gordon,

My name is Stacy Koloski and I am currently employed as an Environmental/Federal Regulatory Technician for Yates Petroleum in Gillette, WY. I have worked in the CBM Industry for the past seven years both in the production and environmental fields of this business.

I am opposed to the Citizen Petition for Rulemaking-Powder River Basin Resource Council et al – WQD chapter 2. I am also opposed to any rulemaking that would reduce or eliminate the ability to discharge produced CBM water. I believe that CBM water benefits wildlife, ranchers and our environment and I am opposed to setting unreasonable standards that would restrict coal bed water to higher standards than that of drinking water.

I have read the petition that was submitted by 19 landowners, and do believe that there are issues involving coalbed methane water that has been discharged. I personally believe that if given the opportunity, these issues could be resolved and the water could be used beneficially. The amendment from the DEQ would shut down all coal bed methane water discharges, thus stopping CBM production in the Powder River Basin. There would be thousands and thousands of jobs affected by this ruling and the impact on our community and other communities would be devastating. Putting a blanket ruling into effect to the terms of the petition would be a great disservice to the people of Wyoming and our nation as a whole. Please take into account that there are a great many people that work in this industry, and earn a living by it, than there are those who have concerns. Please also take into account all of those that benefit from the energy that the methane provides in this country.

Problems can be resolved if given the opportunities to resolve them and there are always reasonable solutions. Jobs and livelihood can not be resolved as easily.

Thank you for the opportunity to express my comments.

Sincerely, Stacy Koloski Stacy Koloski 4550 Centennial Rd. Gillette, WY 82716