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RE: Appendix H of section 20, Chapter 1 Wyoming Water Quality Rules and Regulations – will not allow any discharge of produced water. Period. None of the CBM water in the Powder River Basin or even groundwater elsewhere in Wyoming – including that in existing ranch stock tanks used for stock watering—will meet proposed water quality standards. This means those ranchers, CBM producers, or any other party who discharges groundwater to the surface in Wyoming will no longer be able to continue doing so.

Mr. Mark Gordon,

I am against this proposed rule change. It would have a negative effect on my employment in the CBM industry, and any other person that produces ground water for beneficial use. What about all the natural occurring spring water? Are they proposing to stop that also?

Dale L. Hoffmann, P.E.

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