



Representative Peter "Pete" Illoway  
Wyoming House of Representatives

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Jim Ruby, Executive Secretary  
Environmental Quality Council

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Environmental Quality Council  
122 W. 25<sup>th</sup> St.  
Herschler Building, Room 1714  
Cheyenne, WY 82002

**RE: No. 09-1101, Crumpley et al. Citizen Petition. AQ Rulemaking**

Dear EQC Members:

I wish to offer a few comments on the Crumpley Citizen's Petition for Sublette County. As a member of the House of Representatives of the Wyoming State Legislature I am interested in the regulatory and business climate of the State along with the environmental issues affecting the State of Wyoming. I also take a great interest in what occurs in Sublette County since I have children and grandchildren living in Pinedale.

I am unable to attend the hearing on the Citizen's petition since I am out of town but would like to submit a few comments.

The Citizens for Responsible Energy Development's petition will not achieve cleaner air in Wyoming. Consideration of the petition appears to be a delaying tactic and will ultimately divert resources that are already focused on improving air quality in Sublette County, Southwestern Wyoming and the entire state. Together with proactive and voluntary measures being taken by the oil and gas companies, the State of Wyoming and the Wyoming Department of Environmental Quality are working to aggressively address air quality issues.

Governor Freudenthal recently recommended to the U.S. EPA that parts of Lincoln and Sweetwater Counties and all of Sublette County be designated as ozone nonattainment areas based on scientific studies. The state DEQ has been proactive in developing control strategies for the state and has worked to address the issues that resulted in nonattainment designations for these counties. The current cooperative process between the state, industry and regulatory agencies to reduce air emissions is working. I am therefore requesting that you deny the Citizen's petition.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Peter Illoway", written over a circular stamp or seal.

Peter S. "Pete" Illoway, Representative

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