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Dear Ms. Nuttbrock,

Please accept these comments regarding Strata Energy's permit for an in-situ leach uranium mine in Crook County, WY.

I urge the DEQ to consider the following:

ISL uranium operators cannot restore groundwater to the clean water available before mining.

Leaks and spills of poisonous injection and production fluids at ISL mines.

Analyzing the contamination pathways caused by abandoned drill holes. Strata must survey and ensure plugging the thousands of abandoned uranium exploration wells in the area.

ISL projects are difficult to reclaim. The bond should be raised to fully account for water restoration costs and unforeseen problems.

Before mining begins, the permit should clearly state water restoration targets and methods to achieve the targets. Assessing impacts to water resources is required by W.S. § 35-11-428.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

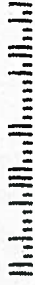
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