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To: Apodaca, Sheila, EMNRD

Subject: [EXTERNAL] I support the application to prohibit PFAS and require disclosure of chemicals used in oil and gas

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Date: Thursday, October 17, 2024 8:20:28 AM

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Sincerely, Lura Brookins 1500 Pacheco St Santa Fe, NM 87505 From: Khristie Cano

To: Apodaca, Sheila, EMNRD

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To: <u>Apodaca, Sheila, EMNRD</u>

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