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Robert C. Hull, P.E. 4880-Ellis Street Golden, Colorado 80403

Dear Mr. Hull,

I wish to acknowledge your letter and your concerns. I am not familiar with the location in Lea County that you describe and consequently not familiar with the spills and damage caused. Senate District 41 does not go North of the Lovington city limits.

This is an issue for the Department of Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources. I will forward your letter to Mr. David Martin, Secretary.

Thanks for calling our attention to the issue.

Sincerely,

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Carroll H. Leavell

Cc: Secretary David Martin

Department of Energy, Minerals and Naural Resources State of New Mexico Wendell Chino Building 1220 S. St. Francis Dr. Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505 December 23, 2015

Mr. Carroll H. Leavell- State Representative P.O. Drawer D Jal, New Mexico 88252

Representative Leavell:

This is being submitted as a request for advise and direction regarding an incident in Lea County, New Mexico wherein on October 4, 2015 several thousand gallons of toxic/hazard liquid was spilled onto grounds in the NW4NW4, Sec. 5, Township 14 South, Range 36 East, NMPM being in Lea County New Mexico.

Our family owns lands adjacent to the spill wherein we have both domestic/livestock as well as irrigation water supply wells. Two of the shallow aquifer wells are within 250 ft. of the spill area. The spill of toxic/hazard liquid from storage tanks owned and operated by DKD,swd was of such volume that fluid overflowed the original containment onto lands utilized for livestock production thus allowing the toxic liquids to percolate into the ground without any barrier to the shallow water source aquifer. Our concern is contamination of the water supply aquifer as well as grounds wherein grass was produced for livestock production.

We have submitted several letters requesting information from various New Mexico Environmental offices including the Office of New Mexico Oil Conservation Division, asking for data as to how the spill area cleanup is being monitored and what future monitoring is being required for assurance as to potential contamination to the water supply, all without response. Thus our request to your office for any assistance as to what department either federal or state, would be interested in the environment of the State of New Mexico. It is our hope that some agency has concerns for the environment of New Mexico and can provide the assurance that the spill site is being cleaned up to original condition and that some monitoring is being placed in operation to assure no contamination to the groundwater in the area.

Thanking you in advance for your time and efforts on this matter, I am

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