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Subject:

[EXT] Opposition to proposed rule January 2 hearing

Greetings,

I am writing you to day to express my overwhelming concern for the proposed rule being discussed. This proposed rule change in effect strips ones most basic rights under the 5th amendment of the US Bill of Rights. Removing ones right to due process violates what it is to be an American.

In effect the proposed rule is designed to target small businesses engaged in the production of oil. Disallowing persons to represent themselves, requiring legal representation and holding hearings far removed from the local being governed, are all designed to limit the small business owner from being fully capable of having recourse.

Our company is a 4th generation oil company, having strong ties to the origins of the oilfields in Southeastern New Mexico, the actions of the OCD over the past 5 years have been geared towards the destruction of the independent oil producer. Rules and regulations have all but shuttered our small company.

I urge those charged with protecting our nation's resources to utilize common sense lawmaking, that takes into account small businesses, and their limited resources.

Respectfully,

Louis F. Fulton