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RE: Statement of Record for the C-108 Application of Anadarko Petroleum Corporation for Authorization to inject, San Juan County, New Mexico (Case #14329)

Hearing Officer:

This letter is to state some of our concerns about the Anadarko Application, as we live within one mile of the proposed site.

1. How can Anadarko Petroleum Corporation be sure that there will be no fractures in the rock formation from pressure, after the plant is built? Thirty years is a long time for a structure to withstand constant underground pressure. If fractures developed, how will we be assured that no harm will be done to surrounding businesses, numerous homes, San Juan College, air quality, or groundwater? Public schools, as well as a college population are very close to this new plant.

2. How can Anadarko Petroleum Corporation be so sure that the injected materials will only go in the areas it has stated? Could there be openings, or fractures that develop, which will allow the injected acids to move one way or another under different property, or into one of the deep wells like Salty Dog #2 or Pittam Pond 004 (depth of 4726 ft).

3. Why are 1987 groundwater tests being quoted, instead of more up to date findings? Even in the 1987 groundwater tests at both the on site and off site wells, the groundwater findings exceeded standards for TDS. One example of this phenomenon is Stevens Arroyo. How does this out-dated data assure us that no harm will be done to the surrounding water sources? If something does happen to the water, what remedies will the Corporation be ready to take to ensure that the water will not be contaminated and will be safe to use by area farms, animals, and people?

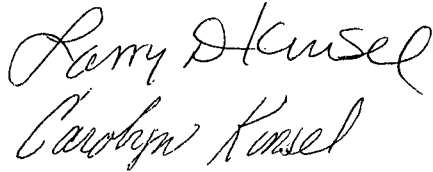
4. If somehow a safety valve fails, what will stop residents in the area from being harmed by the chemicals released? The application states that 1000 ppm of Hydrogen Sulfide can cause unconsciousness and death within a few minutes. The Anadarko application has other groups slated to assist in the event of leak. These groups, like Farmington Hazmat, cannot possibly get to the effected site in a few minutes. The application states that permanent brain damage will result unless rescued promptly within the first five minutes of exposure as Sulfur Dioxide at 100 ppm will cause immediate danger to life or health. Who besides the Anadarko Corporation will see that these scenarios will not happen and who will be responsible for the environmental clean-up, the reimbursement of civilian sickness or death, or other expenses that would result from a valve failure?

5. The application refers to possible "Accidental release" in Appendix E, on page 10. Why does it state that no public receptors within 500 pp will be placed? Who will inform San Juan College West, if a breach occurs? How soon will they know that there is a problem? Will the roads be jammed if people try to leave the college and public schools in large numbers? The plan does not acknowledge San Juan College West at all in its application, yet the school is right next door.

6. What are the short and long term problems associated with allowing an acid gas well in the area? In the past, how have safety and health problems been addressed by this company and what is its safety record for acid wells? Furthermore, how will this company deal with the health and safety issues of this community if one of their abandoned wells causes water contamination or area health concerns in the future?

We are counting on the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division to assure us that there is no danger of environmental, surface, groundwater, or other problems that would affect us, our property, or any of the other many school children, and adults in the area during the next 30 years.

Sincerely,

The block contains two handwritten signatures in cursive. The first signature is "Larry Kinsel" and the second signature is "Carolyn Kinsel".

Larry and Carolyn Kinsel

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