Economic Development Corporation of Lea County

November 2, 2007

Office of the Governor 490 Old Santa Fe Trail Room 400 Santa Fe, NM 87501

Governor Richardson:

On November 1, 2007, a meeting was held in Lea County to share information regarding the proposition for the new *Pit Rules*. At this meeting were approximately 65 individuals who came to learn about the changes that would occur if the proposed rules were to go into effect.

An overwhelming number of individuals at the meeting were against changing the pit rules. We have chosen to share this information with your office, because changing the existing rules has the potential to change not only Lea County's economic vitality but the entire State of New Mexico's as well. Enclosed is evidence of this strong opposition. We ask that you take this statement into consideration when making your decision.

Sincerely

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