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Mr. Todd Parfitt, Director
Wyoming Department of
Environmental Quality (WDEQ)
Herschler Building
122 West 25th Street
Cheyenne, Wyoming 82002

Re: Linc Energy Aquifer Exemption Request

Dear Mr. Parfitt:

As discussed in our telephone conversations last week, I am writing to clarify the process on the Linc Energy aquifer exemption request. The WDEQ forwarded the Environmental Quality Council Order of January 9, 2014, to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Region 8. However, to satisfy EPA's requirements, EPA expects WDEQ to hold an additional public hearing on the Linc Energy aquifer exemption request. The EPA will wait to make a decision on this aquifer exemption request until after the WDEQ completes its additional public process and forwards all comments, a response to comments, its decision and any other documents associated with the public participation process related to the Linc Energy aquifer exemption request. Consistent with the State/EPA MOA, the EPA intends to make a final determination on this request within 20 days of receipt of these documents.

Please contact me or Sadie Hoskie of my staff at (303) 312-6390 with questions or concerns regarding this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Shaun L. McGrath", written over a circular stamp or seal.

Shaun L. McGrath
Regional Administrator