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Abercrombie Energy, LLC Attn: Debbie Ammerman Land Department 10209 W. Central Suite 2 Wichita, KS 67212 KCC-Conservation Division 226 N. Main St. Suite 220 Wichita, KS 67202-1513

Re:

Application of Abercrombie Energy, LLC for Injection Well

Venus Brown #1-26

NW SE NE Sec. 26-33S-31W, Seward County, Kansas

To Whom This May Concern,

This Firm is counsel to L. H. and Thais Brown (collectively, the "Browns"). The Browns are the owners of the surface and the minerals in the Northeast Quarter (NE/4) and the Southwest Quarter (SW/4) of Section 26, Range 33 South, Township 31 West in Seward County, Kansas. Applicant Abercrombie Energy, LLC, has sought Commission approval to convert the Brown #1-26 located in the NE/4 of said Section 26 into an injection well, injecting water into the Mississippi formation. Pursuant to K.A.R. 82-3-135b, the Browns hereby submit their protest to the referenced application for the reasons set forth below, and respectfully request a hearing in this matter.

As both the surface and mineral owner of the tract upon which the injection well would be located and adjacent acreage, the Browns unquestionably have a valid interest in this injection well application.

The Browns protest the application because, among other things, it appears the injection well would be used in furtherance of an improper secondary recovery water flood project. If this is true, the injection of fluids into the Mississippi formation s likely to sweep or push oil away from the existing wells on the Browns' property to offsetting acreage, in violation of the Browns' correlative rights.

In addition, the Browns have several concerns regarding waste that could potentially be caused if the subject well were permitted on the face of the application. First, applicant requests authority to inject saltwater at 1500 psig of pressure, which is unusually high. If applicant were permitted to inject at this pressure, irreparable harm could be caused to the producing Mississippi formation. Second, it is unclear from the application whether injecting saltwater at the volume and pressure requested in the application could cause damage to offsetting producing wells, thereby artificially curtailing their economic life. The field and producing wells in the vicinity are decades' old, and it unclear whether the nearby are adequately cemented to protect the casing from the introduction of large volumes of salt water injected at high pressure. Third, the injection of saltwater at the volume and pressure requested could lead to the producing wells on their property prematurely watering out, likewise artificially curtailing their economic life of the wells.

Finally, there are irrigation circles on the surface of the Browns' property. The Browns have some concerns that the volume and, more specifically, the high rate of pressure sought could result in the pollution of fresh water resources, particularly if the well is not properly engineering and mitigating surface measures are not taken.

For these reasons, the Browns submit this protest to the injection well application submitted by Abercrombie Energy, LLC, and request that this matter be set for hearing.

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