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Mr. Rene Stucky
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Conservation Division
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Dear Mr. Stucky:

As you know, I am not an attorney, and as a private landowner representing only myself, I respectfully protest Hopper Oil Co.'s application for a permit "to authorize the enhanced recovery of saltwater in the Hammer Lease well #10, located in Cowley County, Kansas."

The Lease Well #10 is located, according to the notice, in the "NW SE NW of 18-32S-6E Cowley County, Kansas."

As you know, "enhanced recovery of saltwater" is a technique that does not exist. Allowing such a defective notice that completely lacks an accurate description of the authority being sought does not meet the commission's solemn charge to protect correlative rights and protect fresh water.

The notice is defective in several ways:

- 1) There is no such activity as "enhanced recovery of saltwater." The concerned public has no idea what authority is being sought.
- 2) Likewise the notice fails to convey the purpose for which Hopper seeks authority to inject saltwater into the Bartlesville formation, so it is quite impossible for a concerned citizen to understand whether and how this activity could damage correlative rights or the fresh waters of Kansas and so is prevented from exercising their right to file an informed protest.

This legal notice violates the legislative intentions of the Safe Drinking Water Act in provisions of that act which mandate legal notice.

I am directly injured by this defective notice in several ways:

1) I am unfairly burdened in my efforts to make informed decisions by inaccurate and misleading language.

2) Oil operations are potentially authorized which have been presented to me in meaningless language that obscures their actual aim and purpose.

3) A state agency, by allowing such a defective notice, subverts federal legislation that protects me personally through specific requirements for a legal notice, and the Conservation division has a history of harming my interests by dismissing my objections to notices that are defective because of missing and wrong information, and of failing to require operators to provide proper and accurate notices. I can document this history.

4) I own properties in an area of the state that has active oil and gas production and my financial, familial and recreational investments in this region are put at stake by a state agency that fails to protect fresh water by enforcing notice requirements for intelligible public notice of proposed oil activity.

Sincerely,

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