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January 26, 2017

## Vicki Thornton

117 Main
Cottonwood Falls, KS 66845

RE: Application for Injection Authority<br>Docket D-32,464<br>Quail Oil \& Gas, LC<br>Sly \#2-6 SWD<br>Sec 6-T17S-R6E<br>Morris County, Kansas

Dear Ms. Thornton:
This letter acknowledges receipt of your protest/objection to the above-referenced application.
Please advise me within ten (10) days of receiving this letter if you feel a hearing should be scheduled in this matter. If a hearing is scheduled, you will be expected to participate in the hearing either in person or through legal counsel. Should you decide that you will not participate in a hearing, none will be scheduled and the application will be handled administratively and your protest will be noted. The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) requires a hearing be held where significant interest is demonstrated. Failure to participate in the hearing process after filing a protest or objection indicates a lack of significant interest and no useful purpose would be served by holding a hearing if you, as opposing party, are not there to present testimony or cross-examine applicant's witnesses. If you are going to appear, you will receive a Notice of Hearing and should carefully comply with that Notice, including the requirement of pre-filed testimony. Any person requiring special accommodations under The Americans With Disabilities Act needs to give notice to the Commission at least ten (10) days prior to the scheduled hearing date. If you have questions regarding the hearing process, please contact John McCannon (316-337-6200) of our legal staff.

Commission staff has the duty to represent the public in general in recommending approval or denial of applications for injection or disposal well authority. One of the Commission's primary concerns is the protection of our groundwater and environment. If no hearing is held on this application, your objection will be taken into consideration by our staff in making a recommendation on this application. All of our staff geologists and technicians have qualified as expert witnesses and are sensitive to the concerns expressed by you and the citizens of our State.

Enclosed is a copy of the Conservation Division regulations regarding applications, hearings, and protestants. If you have any other questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

cc: District Office \# 2
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enclosure

From: Vicki Thornton
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Cottonwood Falls, KS. 66845
1-23-2017

To: Renee Stuck
266 N. Main St., Ste. 220
Wichita, KS 67202-1513

Dear Renee Stucky:
I am a resident of Cottonwood Falls, KS. I am writing to express my concern about an application from Quail Oil \& Gas, LC for a permit to inject wastewater into the Arbuckle formation in Morris County, KS.

Most induced earthquakes in the United States are a result of the deep disposal of fluids (wastewater) related to oil and gas production. It is possible for the toxins in these fluids to leech into ground water and drinking water sources. Seismicity can be induced at distances of 10 km or more away from the injection point and at significantly greater depths than injection. The site of the proposed injection well is within that proximity to several fresh water springs.

Without our water, we have nothing. Water is the source of all life. The oil and gas industry has sold the American people short for too long. We should not relinquish our natural resources that our following generations will depend on so that a corporation can temporarily gain economically.

Please consider denying the permit to Quail Oil \& Gas, LC to inject wastewater into the earth.

Vicki Thornton

