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**From:** Barry Metz  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 07, 2017 8:24 AM  
**To:** Rene Stucky  
**Cc:** Kelsee Schuetz; Theresa Runnells  
**Subject:** FW: Quail Oil & Gas Application

UIC Application Protest

**From:** Kelsee Schuetz  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 07, 2017 7:30 AM  
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This also came in the public affairs email

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**From:** Katherine Kelly [<mailto:khkellyks@gmail.com>]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 07, 2017 5:26 AM  
**To:** public.affairs  
**Subject:** Quail Oil & Gas Application

I am writing to oppose the application from Quail Oil & Gas, LC for a permit to inject wastewater into the Arbuckle formation in Morris County, KS and to request a public hearing on the application.

Kansas, and your Commission in particular, have the opportunity to learn from the experience of the Oklahoma Corporate Commission and prevent the property and environmental damage that injection of wastewater causes.

From The Wichita Eagle, "Oklahoma tightens down on earthquakes but will it be in time?" November 19, 2016, <http://www.kansas.com/news/local/article115964573.html>

"A little more than a year ago, Oklahoma did not acknowledge that the oil and gas industry was causing the earthquakes that had hit the state on an unprecedented scale and rattled people in surrounding states.

"It wasn't until August of 2015 that the state acknowledged the cause and began to aggressively regulate the disposal of wastewater from fracking to prevent earthquakes.

"Oklahoma was so slow to admit the cause of the earthquakes that by the time the governor acknowledged what was happening, oil companies in Kansas and Arkansas, which had moved more quickly to regulate, were shipping their own wastewater into Oklahoma.

"The new regulation and a precipitous drop in oil prices and production have caused the number of earthquakes in Oklahoma to fall, from about three per day to about two, between 2015 and 2016."

In another article in the Kansas City Star, <http://www.kansascity.com/news/state/kansas/article30183600.html> your own Commission acknowledged that, since you ordered a reduction in the amount of wastewater that could be injected, there was a significant decrease in seismic activity; state and federal geologists indicated that the cause was most likely the decrease in volume.

Permitting more wells to inject more wastewater would indicate that the Commission isn't paying attention to the data that is accumulating both locally and across the country and would indicate that the State of Kansas has determined that economic damage to its individual citizens, in the form of earthquake damage, is acceptable, as long as companies like Quail Oil and Gas are making money.

I support your Commission in holding a public hearing and in looking clearly at the damage this volume of fracking can cause.

**Rene Stucky**

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**From:** Rene Stucky  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 07, 2017 2:34 PM  
**To:** 'khkellyks@gmail.com'  
**Subject:** Quail Oil & Gas Application  
**Attachments:** 10 day protest regs.doc

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

Dear Ms Kelly:

This email acknowledges receipt of your protest/objection to the above-referenced application.

Please advise me within ten (10) days of receiving this email 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.

Attached 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.

Sincerely,

**Rene Stucky**  
*UIC Director/Production Supervisor*



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