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RE: Response to Protest of Water Application No. F77918 (Water Right No. 91-5150)

Dear Mr. Olds:

This letter is written in response to a protest filed to the above cited water right application by Living Rivers, the Moab Local Green Party (MLGP), and Red Rock Forests (RRF) collectively referred to as the Protestors.

Attached to this letter, and included by this reference, please find a second letter written to me by Mark Page, of Water Rights Consulting LLC, to address the above mentioned protest from a water rights perspective. Most of the issues addressed by Marks' letter deal with the first five pages of the protest.

In pages six through eighteen, of the protest, the Protesters attempt to make a case that Mancos somehow failed to provide information they think is needed in a water rights application, and they clumsily attempt to disparage Mancos Resources and Bluerock Resources with not so subtle inferences about finances and ownership etc. The Protesters continue with completely inappropriate references to in-situe leaching process with data from a paper by Dr. Staub, who I am certain would be aghast at someone using his paper so inappropriately.

It is obvious the Protesters fail to understand the role of the State Engineer and have been grossly misinformed about the process of uranium milling. I have made two attempts to discuss with Mr. Shepherd the misconceptions presented in this protest but he has failed to return my calls.

It is overwhelmingly clear that the Protesters are less concerned about water rights than they are about uranium processing but have chosen to use a water right filing as a back-door method to achieve their political goals. As a tax payer I feel the protesters are practicing abuse of a public process.

I would welcome the opportunity to have an honest, open discussion with the Protesters about the merits of uranium processing. I remain awaiting a return call.

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