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Subject: Docket No. CC-2020-OGR-01-001
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Please see that the attached letter in Opposition to Snake River Oil and Gas, LLC application for Spacing Order is given to Mick Thomas with the Idaho Department of Lands.

Thank you,
Sharon Simmons

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June 7, 2020

Idaho Department of Lands
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RE: *Application of Snake River Oil and Gas, LLC for Spacing Order Consisting of the E ½ of the SE ¼ of Section 9, the SW ¼ of Section 10, N ½ of the N ½ of the NW ¼ of Section 15, and the N ½ of the NE ¼ of the NE ¼ of Section 16, Township 8 North, Range 5 West, Boise Meridian, Payette County, Idaho. Docket No. CC-2020-OGR-01-001*

Dear Mr. Thomas,

First I would like to state that I just became aware of this issue. Written in the Docket No. CC-2020-OGR-01-001 Proof of Mailing document in the first sentence where it is stated that this document and proof with a certified letter that the information was sent “to all mineral interest owners” is actually a false statement. I am a mineral owner within the section, I see that all my neighbors their names are listed however my name is not listed. I purchased my home and property in October of 2017. I wonder how many other property owners are omitted?

I am writing this letter in opposition to Snake River Oil and Gas, LLC drilling near my home. The current Fallon Well is 100 yards south of the Payette River and 1000 feet from the Fruitland Water Plant. In my opinion it was wrong for the State to allow this well to ever be drilled.

I own an uncommitted mineral interest. My property is located at 8680 Shannon Road. I have not been contacted by Snake River Oil and Gas, LLC. The afternoon of March 14th, 2019 AM Idaho, LLC their Landman “Michael Bishop” was on my property threatening me to sign a contract. Note this was after the court had ruled that forced pooling was to cease. I was unaware of the extent of the issue as when I purchased my home and property I was told that the Oil and Gas issue really wasn’t something to worry about. Now I find out that I have a lot to be concerned about.

I have many concerns should the health of the citizens of Idaho come first? Or does the State want to risk the health, the financial value of the citizens investments in property and what about our environment? For the almighty value of the dollar that big business could potentially bring to the state? Then again, if this goes wrong contaminates the water, destroys the value of the citizens homes and land, effects the health of the residents does the state have the funds to pay off a very large class action law suit for damages after the citizens have put in writing their concerns? This isn’t a threat, it is a promise. These are all points that needs to be considered before a final decision is made.

I understand that there may be some conflicts of interest between the Oil and Gas Company’s giving donations to the Governor, three District 9 legislators and who knows who else. Very foolish move to think the citizens would not find these donations a conflict of interest. Oh yes, the name has changed

however we still have some main players from Alta Mesa to the newly formed Snake River Oil and Gas, LLC.

I don't believe a single person who has a vote in this matter would ever intentionally endanger themselves or their family. My hope is that each person in the Idaho Department of Lands will strongly consider the opposition points to stop further drilling around our water supplies, homes and communities. My hope is that the Idaho Department of Lands will make the proper decision to correct a wrong allowing the Fallon well to be drilled in the first place, and protect our state, the environment, the health of the individual citizen of Idaho while protecting our private property rights and values.

I am praying that the State will listen to the citizens.

Respectfully,

Sharon M. Simmons