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Dear Director Juen:

Although we are new comers to our beautiful mesa (we built our home 15 years ago) we are writing to protest the sales of parcels NM 201410-001, 004-015 that will be offered up for lease in the BLM competitive oil and lease sale on Oct 22, 2014.

We protest because not only would our retirement to New Mexico be ruined so would our health and the health of our families and friends as well as the misuse of our precious water in our desert land.

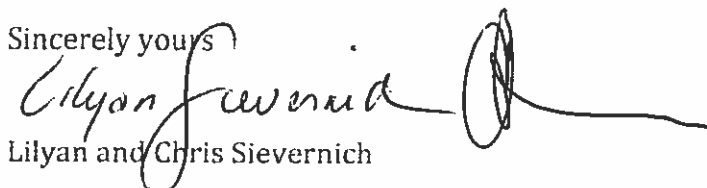
It is well known that the chemicals used in fracturing cause cancer as well as other health problems—and our serious concerns about this are being ignored in the interest of wealth building. Wealth without health?

The waters of the Galina and Regina flow into the Rio Chama, which flows by our home. It's the river my dogs swim in, my grand children play in, my friend walk in. It's the river that irrigates Lee's grapes that we all eat. It waters Cordelia's chiles that we freeze for the winter. It irrigates Lisa and Jan's orchards that produce apples and apricots for our small town.

Why would you poison our waters, burn our forests, kill our wild life to make profits for nameless corporations? Please think of our children, and of our children's children and become stewards of our lands instead of merchants of destruction.

We protest your lease of our precious future. Please, instead, invest in harnessing our bountiful sunshine and beautiful wind and the earth's heat. Think of the future!!!

Sincerely yours


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