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Hello, Becky. I contacted [REDACTED] as requested, with my email below. Please let me know anything further needed...

Joe

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Hello, [REDACTED]. I just wanted to thank you for the time you took in all your email comments that you've made to the BLM (I count more than 30 emails from Dec 18th to the present). You also participated and spoke at all three of BLM's public meetings/hearings in Peoria, with the hearing transcripts posted on our BLM website from these meetings. You and I have also conversed on the phone, as well as through emails after these meetings. As you know, there is still time for you and others to make further comment, with our comment period officially ending February 8th. Also, BLM provided you a CD of information on January 11th, Fed Ex'd to your home as you requested.

I wanted to assure you that BLM is reading all of your comments, with substantive comments of yours and others' relative to this project being considered and analyzed as we move towards the Final EIS. I would like to reiterate how BLM will move forward with its comment analysis, giving

you the pertinent regulation citation we use from the Council of Environmental Quality (40 CFR 1500), specifically quoted from 1503.4 "Response to Comments":

"(a) An agency preparing a final environmental impact statement shall assess and consider comments both individually and collectively, and shall respond by one or more of the means listed below, stating its response in the final statement. Possible responses are to:

(1) Modify alternatives including the proposed action.

(2) Develop and evaluate alternatives not previously given serious consideration by the agency.

(3) Supplement, improve, or modify its analyses.

(4) Make factual corrections.

(5) Explain why the comments do not warrant further agency response, citing the sources, authorities, or reasons which support the agency's position and, if appropriate, indicate those circumstances which would trigger agency reappraisal or further response.

(b) All substantive comments received on the draft statement (or summaries thereof where the response has been exceptionally voluminous), should be attached to the final statement whether or not the comment is thought to merit individual discussion by the agency in the text of the statement.

(c) If changes in response to comments are minor and are confined to the responses described in paragraphs (a)(4) and (5) of this section, agencies may write them on errata sheets and attach them to the statement instead of rewriting the draft statement. In such cases only the comments, the responses, and the changes and not the final statement need be circulated ( § [1502.19](#) ). The entire document with a new cover sheet shall be filed as the final statement ( § [1506.9](#) )."

Please let me know any questions or further comment you may have...

Thanks, Joe

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