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Amy Leuders, Director
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RE: Proposed Auction of 259 acres adjacent to Lewisville Lake in Denton County, Texas

Ms. Leuders:

This is to advise that the city of Grand Prairie, Texas, a city of 185,000, receiving most of its' potable water supply from the City of Dallas protests the referenced oil and gas lease sale that has the potential to negatively impact our water quality supply as well as to increase seismic activity which may threaten the integrity of the lake Lewisville Dam, one of our major water storage reservoirs for the area..

Not only are we concerned about the impact of chemical spills or releases associated with such operations on water quality, but recent studies on the Lake Lewisville dam has revealed weaknesses that may be impacted by fracturing operations to extract minerals. Fracturing operation have been associated with a number of earthquakes in the North Texas Area. In fact, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers prohibited such activities near the Joe Pool Lake Dam due to the possibility of such impacting the integrity of the Dam.

We join with the city of Dallas in protesting this sale.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Tom Hart", written in a cursive style.

Tom Hart
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cc: Anna Doll, Deputy City Manager
Ron McCuller, Director of Public Works
Jody Puckett, Director of Dallas Water Utilites