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RE: Revised Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement for the Pinedale Anticline Oil and Gas Exploration and Development Project

Dear Mr. Hiner:

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comment relative to the referenced document. The Wyoming State Engineer's Office has completed a review of the document and provides the following comments, which are primarily confined to errata present in the document.

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GW-1 | SA-5-1 | The cited Statutes granting the State Engineer authority to issue ground water permits, specifically W.S. 41-121 through 147 have not existed for quite some time. These Statutes were re-codified and replaced in the late 1970's with the current Statutes granting this authority to the State Engineer, specifically W.S. 41-3-901 through 41-3-938.

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GW-2 | SA-5-2 | While WDEQ-WQD can recommend that check valves be installed on water supply well wellheads, it is not believed that authority to require the installation of the devices resides with WDEQ-WQD. The State Engineer's Office has recently required all water supply wells located within the PAPA that are either to be newly constructed or that exist and will require a new permit at some point in the future, to be equipped with a functional backflow prevention device as a condition of approval of the new water right.

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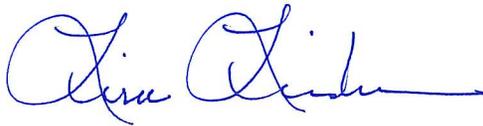
Temporary Discharge Permits are not issued by the Wyoming State Engineer's Office. Rather, these permits are issued by the WDEQ-WQD.

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See comments related to Page 3-85 regarding the requirement for check valves or backflow prevention.

Again, thank you for the opportunity to provide comment relative to the referenced document.

Sincerely,



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