

STRATA ENERGY, INC.

Docket #040-09091

AFFIDAVIT OF RALPH KNODE, CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER, STRATA ENERGY, INC.

1. My name is Ralph Knode and I am the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of Strata Energy, Inc. (Strata). I am authorized to execute this affidavit on behalf of Strata and may bind Strata to the statements contained herein;
2. This affidavit is attached to Strata's submission of an application to the United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) for a combined source and 11e.(2) byproduct material license for its proposed in situ leach uranium recovery (ISR) project to be located near Oshoto in the State of Wyoming, NRC Docket #040-09091;
3. As part of its license application, Strata submitted a Technical Report (TR) and an Environmental Report (ER) that include data, information, and other items that qualify for withholding pursuant to 10 CFR § 2.390;
4. Portions of the license application submitted by Strata include cultural resources information that could be misused by unscrupulous artifact collectors to disturb archaeological or other historic and cultural sites and that should be subject to protection from public disclosure pursuant to 10 CFR § 2.390(a)(3);
5. By email dated February 13, 2014 the NRC staff requested that Strata provide a map for eighteen (18) sites identified by NRC. Strata hereby requests that the following be withheld from public disclosure:

MAP OF THE PROPOSED FACILITIES IN RELATIONSHIP TO IDENTIFIED CULTURAL RESOURCES

6. For the following reasons, Strata asserts that the aforementioned map should be withheld from public disclosure as privileged and confidential information:
 - i. The data and information contained on the above-mentioned map are customarily held in confidence by businesses and other organizations seeking to protect information related to certain historic and cultural resources or confidential and/or proprietary business information;
 - ii. The data and information regarding historic and cultural resources or confidential and/or proprietary business information listed in Strata's license application are not available in any public sources;

- iii. Release of the data and information contained in the above-mentioned map may cause substantial harm to cultural resources on private and public property or Strata as a corporate entity for the following reasons:
 - a) Certain individuals may use the information to unlawfully collect cultural artifacts for personal use; and
 - b) The Wyoming State Historic Preservation Office is responsible for the study and protection of cultural sites and artifacts and will be issued a full report detailing the location(s) and artifact(s) discovered;
- iv. If it were to become publicly available, the historic and cultural resource information would provide no tangible benefit to members of the public since artifacts cannot be legally collected. Therefore, withholding the data and information designated by Strata for protection from public disclosure will not harm members of the public. However, as stated above, releasing the location of historic and cultural resource sites could result in the theft or destruction of potentially significant cultural artifacts; and
- v. Strata fully understands that withholding the designated data and information does not deprive any independent party from inspecting the confidential information under the terms of an appropriate protective order in the context of an NRC licensing hearing or other administrative proceeding.



Ralph Knode, CEO Strata Energy, Inc.

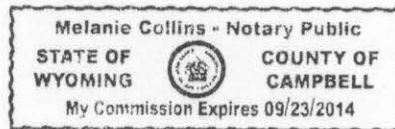
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The foregoing Affidavit was affirmed and acknowledged before me this 21 day of February, 2014, by Mr. Ralph Knode, CEO of Strata Energy, Inc., a Wyoming corporation.

Witness my hand and official seal.

Melanie Collins

Notary Public

My commission expires: 9/23/2014