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To: Atomic Safety and Licensing Board

Subject: NRC's environmental analysis

I am writing to provide public comment on the NRC's EIS for Strata Energy's proposed mining of uranium in Crook County. I would like to ensure that NRC protects Wyoming's groundwater resources by offering the following suggestions:

1. The method for determining baseline conditions of all affected aquifers must be conducted according to the highest scientific standards. Since uranium mining has a poor track record of restoring aquifers, we should be extremely cautious, and exacting, in establishing these standards.
2. NRC needs to provide in-depth analysis of the possibility of water contamination from previously abandoned drill holes and prove, rather than assume, such impacts to local water resources will be "small."

Thank you for your consideration of these issues,

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