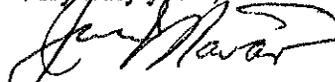


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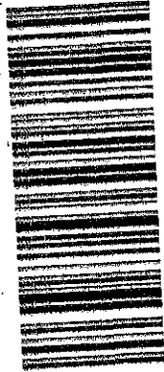
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Re: El Paso Water Utilities ("EPWU") Application for Aquifer Exemption, Authorization 5X2700062 (the "Application").

Dear Sir or Madam:

I received a copy of the Notice of Application and Preliminary Decision for an Aquifer Exemption Underground Injection Control Authorization 5X2700062 and Notice of Public Meeting (the "Notice"), issued June 7, 2011, by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality ("TCEQ"). The Notice relates to EPWU's Application requesting an exemption in connection with its Class V injection wells for the Kay Bailey Hutchinson Desalination Plant located in El Paso County, Texas. My name is Juan M. Navar, Sr. I am a member and a manager of the entity known as Wonders of Ancient Cultures and Modern West, LLC, a Texas limited liability company ("Ancient Wonders"). The property of Ancient Wonders ("Ancient Wonders' Property") affected by the proposed aquifer exemption is Sections 6, 7, 18, and 19, Block 1, Public School Lands, and Section 6, Block 77, Township One, which is located immediately east of the Fort Bliss military reservation and approximately one-half mile from the injection well sites.

Ancient Wonders and other adjacent landowners will be adversely affected by the Application because the contaminated water that will be injected into the proposed exempt aquifers will travel underground and contaminate the potable water that currently exists in one or more aquifers under Ancient Wonders' Property. It is my understanding that the University of Texas System conducted a study and found that the underground aquifers in the area affected by the Application, and the areas adjacent thereto, are not completely isolated from each other. The study revealed a vast network of underground caverns and cracks in the bedrock that connect many of these aquifers, and if contaminated water is injected under pressure into one aquifer, such contaminated water would easily be forced through the network of caverns and cracks into many of the nearby aquifers.

In addition, because the ground is so porous in this area, it is possible that the contaminated water will rise to the surface, or near enough to the surface to adversely affect the vegetation in the area. The fact that such water will be injected into the ground under high pressures makes this outcome even more likely.

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