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## Department of Environmental Quality

To protect, conserve and enhance the quality of Wyoming's environment for the benefit of current and future generations.





Todd Parfitt, Director

### CERTIFIED MAIL, RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED: 7016 0340 0000 2534 3330

Boyd O. Wiggam 1720 Carey Avenue, Suite 550 Cheyenne, WY 82001

RE: Knife River, Burnett Pit Permit Application, TFN 6 2/292

Dear Mr. Wiggam:

We have received your letter regarding the proposed issuance of a Permit to Knife River. As allowed by Wyoming Statute §35-11-406(k), a section of the Environmental Quality Act, we are forwarding your letter to the Environmental Quality Council (EQC), who will set the date, time and place for a hearing. Jim Ruby the Executive Secretary for the EQC, will notify you regarding these details.

The hearing shall be conducted as a contested case in accordance with the Wyoming Administrative Procedure Act, and right of judicial review shall be afforded as provided in that act.

Date: 8/15/18

Thank you for your interest in this matter.

Sincerely,

Kyle Wendtland Administrator

Administrator

cc: Jim Ruby, Executive Secretary-EQC

James Kaste, Sr. Attorney General

Todd Parfitt, DEQ Director

Robin Jones, Cheyenne DEQ-LQD

Tammi Pusheck, LQD Records Manager

Shane Swilling, Knife River

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August 13, 2018

### **VIA Hand Delivery**

Kyle Wendtland, Administrator Department of Environmental Quality - Land Quality Division 200 West 17th Street, Suite 10 Cheyenne, WY 82002

RE: Objection to 2017 Burnett Pit Permit Application

Dear Mr. Wendtland:

Vicky M. Guilmot-Koch, owner of land located in Sections 9, 10, 15, and 16 Township 13 North, Ranch 65 West in Laramie County Wyoming, and James Koch (the "Interested Persons"), by and through their attorney, Wiggam Law Office, LLC, hereby object to approval of the 2017 Burnett Pit Permit Application TFN 62/292 in favor of Knife River.

The Interested Persons object because the proposed mining operation will cause pollution to the groundwater from which their domestic and stock wells draw water in violation of W.S. § 35-11-406(m)(v) and because the proposed operation endangers the public health and safety in violation of W.S. § 35-11-406(m)(vii).

The Interested Persons further object because they were not given adequate notice and opportunity to object to the previously-issued air quality permit application for this site.

The Interested Persons further object to approval of this application because the operation will cause irreparable harm to their agricultural operations if the permit is issued.

Therefore, Vicky Guilmot-Koch and James Koch ask that the Administrator conduct further hearings and deny the application submitted by Knife River for the 2017 Burnett Pit.

Respectfully Submitted,

Wiggam Law Office, LLC

for: Vicky Guilmot-Koch and James Koch

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James & Vicky Koch (via email)

CC:

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AFFIDAVIT

Kristy Simola, of said County of Laramie, being first duly sworn, deposes and says that she is the Business Office Supervisor; or Florence Engel, of said County of Laramie, being first duly sworn, deposes and says that she is a Customer Service Rep/Legal Adv of the

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a newspaper printed and published in said County and State, and in the Capitol of said State; that the notice of which the annexed is a true copy, has been published in the said newspaper.

for 4 Times, to wit: 06/23/2018 06/30/2018 07/07/2018 07/14/2018

and that the first publication of said notice was made in said paper bearing date June 23rd, A.D. 2018

and that the last publication of said notice was made in said paper bearing date

Subscribed in my presence and sworn to before me by the aforesaid Kristy Simola, Business Office Supervisor or Florence Engel, Customer Service Rep/Legal Adv.

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PUBLIC NOTICE
The JTL Group, Inc. dba
Knife River of Cheyenne
Wyoming has applied for a
regular mining permit from
the Land Quality Division of
the Department of Environmental Quality for the State
of Wyoming. The mining
of sand & gravel, will be located in Section 9, Township 13N, Range 65W,
Laramie County, Wyoming.
The area is approximately
1/2 mile south of Campstool
Road. The proposed operation is scheduled to begin
August 2018 and is estimated to continue until 2037.
Information regarding this
application may be reviewed in the Office of the
Land Quality Division of the
Department of Environmental Quality in Cheyenne and
the Laramie County Clerk's
Office, Cheyenne,
Wyoming. Written objections to the proposed mining operation must be received by the Administrator
of the Land Quality Division
of the Department of Environmental Quality 200 W.
17th Street, Suite 10,
Cheyenne, WY 82002, before the close of business
August 14, 2018. If an objection specifically requests a
public hearing
shall be held within twenty
(20) days after the final date
for filing objections unless a
different period is stipulated to by the parties. The
Environmental Quality
Council or Director shall
publish notice of the time,

date and location of the hearing or conference in a newspaper of general circulation in the locality of the proposed operation once a week for two (2) consecutive weeks immediately prior to the hearing or conference. The hearing shall be conducted as a contested case in accordance with the Wyoming Administrative Procedure Act (W.S. §16-3-101 through §16-3-115), and the right of judicial review shall be afforded as provided in that Act. All parties as given in W.S. §35-11-406(j) will be mailed a copy of this notice. The Wyoming Oil and Gas Conservation Commission will be mailed a copy of the application mine plan map as required in W.S. §35-11-406(j). June 23, 30, July 7,14. 2018