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March 21, 1984

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Mr. Lyle Randen
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Land Quality Advisory Board
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Dear Mr. Randen:

We have been advised under date of March 19th that Kerr-McGee Coal Corporation proposes to permit its Jacobs Ranch Coal Mine under the permanent state mining program. By copy of the notice sent to me it appears that the proposed mining permit would apply to Section 2 in Township 43 North, Range 70 West, Campbell County, Wyoming.

The undersigned is the owner of an undivided one-seventh (1/7th) net mineral interest under 300 acres in said section. This 300 acres is described as being:

Township 43 North, Range 70 West, 6th P.M.
Section 2: SE $\frac{1}{4}$, E $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$, NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$, N $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$

Our 42.86 net mineral acres is a valid interest in coal and has not been leased or conveyed or contracted by the Kerr-McGee Coal Corporation.

Accordingly, we respectfully protest the issuance of a mining permit on our mineral interest and request that you advise what steps we must take to protect our position in this regard.

We thank you, in advance, for your kind and early reply.

Sincerely yours,

Thomas F. Stroock

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