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As a concerned citizen, I would like to ask the DEQ to take every step possible to tighten restrictions and remove any loopholes from allowing companies to burn off excess methane or allow methane to leak freely from their equipment or worksites. Not only do I feel like these are bad practices, I feel like these practices put us, as citizens at unnecessary risk for potential health and safety issues. Methane emissions are known to be a leading contributor to climate change. These greenhouse gasses make up 25% of our collective carbon footprint. By tightening regulations the DEQ has the power to protect not only the citizens of Wyoming, but also our land and wildlife. Tighter regulations will safeguard our natural resources, help control costs and possibly provide a revenue stream to our state. Tightening the methane regulations will also naturally lead to improved processes for other VOCs. I see it as a winning opportunity for our state. Please help keep Wyoming citizens safe, our air clean and our state the natural beauty she is today by increasing the regulations on methane.

Thank you.