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Water Quality Control Commission
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GROUND WATER

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To the Water Quality Control Commission:

In referenc to Case No. WQCC 12-01R, the Copper Mine Rule.

I ask that you reject the proposed New Copper Mining Rules. My request is based on the lack of safeguards for water quality for human use. There is no time when water use for any industry should take precedence over water use for human need.

It would take a particularly naïve person to evince surprise that the NM Mining Association and Freeport McMoRan would favor the new rules.

Passage of the proposed new rules means that water polluted as a result, would deprive the public of use of that water. Resorative measures would be valueless. Groundwater, once polluted, is for all practical purposes polluted forever. And valueless to a water-starved public.

I would like to have this objection entered into the record.



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