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In reference to Report # NUREG-1910, Supplement 3, draft

To Whom it May Concern,

On behalf of the Board of Directors of Carbon County Economic Development Corporation, I am submitting comments concerning the draft report titled *Environmental Impact Statement for the Lost Creek ISR Project in Sweetwater County, Wyoming.* First of all the CCEDC board is very supportive of the UR Energy Lost Creek ISR Project which will be located very close to the Carbon County border in Sweetwater County, Wyoming. With Rawlins, WY being the closest large town to the project, we feel we will benefit from the workforce, from not only the construction phase but as a home for a large part of the employees that will be employed at the site.

The sections of most concern are found on page 4-79, 4.11.1.2 Operation Impacts that we would like to address. Under section 4.11.1.2.1 Demographics it says impact is considered moderate by causing an "increase in population by the added workforce and the additional jobs created to service the larger population". We feel that this is a good thing for Carbon County and welcome the extra workforce. The fact that UR Energy will be providing 60 high paying, long term jobs with excellent benefits as very positive to the local communities. We also consider the 140 projected ancillary jobs that will be created associated with the ISR facility (page 4-76, section 4.11.1.1. lines 8 and 9 another positive to the local communities. We have seen a large decline of jobs in the construction and service industry and our unemployment rate has doubled from a year ago to 7.5%. Also a comment on section 4.11.1.2.3 Housing that states the impact would "further stress a housing market that is currently over-stressed" might have been true a couple years ago, but we now have more houses on the market and more rental properties available now than we did during the oil and gas boom. The statement concerning education on section 4.11.1.2.5 Education said the impact is considered moderate " the added workforce (approximately 80 workers) and family population (up to 200) should expect to impact local schools and their infrastructure, particularly if they are small school districts with limited resources," is another statement that I wish to comment on. The schools in Carbon County are equipped to handle a larger student influx with no problem and would welcome the new students and families. The Rawlins High School is

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a newer facility and elementary students will be moving into a much larger state of the art new facility this spring.

Our office, along with the Carbon County Higher Education Center, the City of Rawlins and the Rawlins Workforce Center will be working together to host a job fair for the UR Energy Lost Creek ISR project since we feel much of the workforce will live here. While we will not derive much of the tax revenues of the facility since it is located in Sweetwater County, we will experience the majority of the socioeconomic impact in Rawlins, located in Carbon County. We will derive benefits from workers living and shopping here, spending money on housing, food, gasoline, etc. We encourage UR Energy to take delivery of project materials and supplies in Rawlins where feasible, as this would improve the tax benefit to Rawlins and Carbon County.

We welcome the opportunity to work with UR Energy throughout the term of their project and are here to assist them on whatever questions or needs they come across. Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this project and feel the impact is very positive for Rawlins and Carbon County!

Sincerely,

Cindy Wallace
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