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**CROW BUTTE RESOURCES, INC. License Renewal, Docket No. 40-8943, ASLBP No. 08-867-02-OLA-BD01**

To Whom It May Concern:

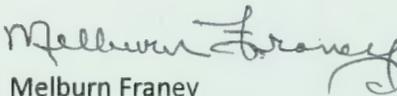
When the uranium mine was first coming into our neighborhood many years ago, we were opposed to it; however, over the years, with many friends and some relatives working there we have become feeling quite comfortable with the idea that the mine is operated in a safe manner. Nearly all of the employees were raised in Western Nebraska (many right here in Dawes County), so they have a real personal interest, and we have confidence that Crow Butte Resources is protecting the land and groundwater for future generations.

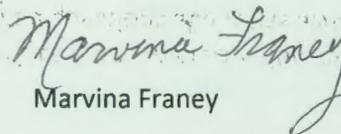
Although we are now retired and have moved off the ranch, we still get our drinking water from the ranch where our grandson and his family now live, and bring it back to our home in town, as we believe the quality of the drinking water to be excellent. Some of our land sits less than a mile from the boundary of the mine.

The Crow Butte mine has hosted several open houses since it began production, along with other neighborhood gatherings, and anything that we have had questions about has always been answered to our satisfaction.

Crow Butte Resources has been a real asset to the economy and well-being of the area, and we support renewal of its current license.

Sincerely,

  
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