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Subject: Comments and concerns on Department of Energy Draft PEIS

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Dear Mr. Plieness:

I have a number of concerns and comments on the Draft PEIS:

1. The economic benefits (e.g. jobs) of this uranium mining are very limited. There may in fact be more economic benefits (e.g. jobs) from cleaning up the existing uranium mine sites than expanding uranium mining in western Colorado.

2. Adequate market demand for uranium at this time has not been demonstrated. And without a high uranium price (approximately $85 per pound) on the commodities markets the mining of these deposits are not economically feasible.

3. Cheaper supplies of uranium of a higher quality are available from Canada and Australia.

4. The U.S. already has a 100 year supply of uranium in Oak Ridge Tennessee which can be used for civilian nuclear plants. So there is no need to mine any more uranium in the U.S. And any uranium which is mined in the U.S. will just be sold overseas since the U.S. has no need for any more uranium at this time. Do we really want to be supplying China with uranium?

5. The Draft PEIS has not taken into account the effects of climate change on uranium mining in western Colorado.

6 The Draft PEIS does not adequately address radon releases, water usage, and water contamination (e.g. selenium contamination) from the proposed uranium mining.

7. The bonding for the uranium mining is inadequate and in fact there should be separate and increased bonding for uranium mining, since uranium mining has the potential of being much more harmful than any other type of mining.

Thank you for your attention to my comments and concerns,

Dudley Case