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April 25, 2011

Mr. Miguel Flores, Director
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RE: Uranium Energy Corp.
TCEQ Docket No. 2008-1888-UIC (Aquifer Exemption)

Dear Mr. Flores:

In early March of 2011, the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) issued an order to grant the above referenced application.

The requested aquifer exemption is for 423.8 acres located in the northwest corner of Goliad County and includes all four sands of the Evangeline Aquifer. This aquifer provides me, my immediate and extended family, my livestock and others residing in Goliad County with our drinking water which, at this time, is of good quality.

The requested area for exemption has a fault in the northwest boundary, as identified in the testimony given at the TCEQ contested case hearing (the EPA was provided a CD of all testimonies and recommendations, etc.). The administrative law judge's recommendation was to deny issuance of the permit until further testing of this area was performed to determine transmissivity and if the groundwater would or could be protected. As you are well aware, despite this being a drinking water aquifer, now and in the future, the TCEQ Commissioners granted the permit.

The EPA was presented data by the Goliad County Groundwater District's and Goliad County's expert consultants that two major requirements for an aquifer exemption cannot be achieved. Because of this data, we are requesting the EPA deny the aquifer exemption.

Therefore, in the alternative of denial, we would request that the EPA conduct a hearing on the merits and allow citizens who wish to participate the ability to do so. The large size of the requested exemption which includes four distinct layers of the aquifer and the close proximity of a large number of domestic water wells certainly warrants being classified as a "substantial" exemption, if such a designation is necessary to hold a hearing.

Respectfully,

Lynn Cook (with permission by Ginger Cook)

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