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(attention) Ms. Mayes Arizona Corporation Commission Officer

Dear Ms. Mayes,

I would first like to thank you and members of your commission for holding your ground on the Rhodes Homes proposed master plan developments in Golden Valley, White Hills and Peacock Vista north of the Kingman Airport. As you probably know Rhodes is accustomed to pushing people around or buying their loyalty. He does not like rules or regulations that apply to him. But oh well.

I am a supporter of property rights but am opposed to those who hoard life sustaining natural resources and deprive others a fair share. My concern is that until the National Geological Survey and A.D.W.R aquifer studies in the area are well along we do not know the amount of available water in each aquifer, the current depletion, recharge rate or how the depletion of one may affect another in the general proximity. It would certainly seem fool hearted and irresponsible to allow Rhodes a full build out and such a large share of available water until we have a better idea of what the consequences might be to adjoining properties or future development. The replenishment of potable water in the aquifers is currently out of our control, and the output of each aquifer will only support a limited population. So I believe we must proceed with caution because when the water is gone vast areas of Arizona will cease to be habitable.

Ms. Mayes, it is imperative to the future of Arizona that the water supply be perpetuate, and that growth be managed according to available water supply.

Good luck in your bid for reelection, you have several of our votes around Kingman because we appreciate bureaucrats who are not for sale or intimidated by corporate America.

Sincerely

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