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## Public Utility Commission of Texas

June 16, 2008

Teresa Burnett  
Executive Director  
Monahans Chamber of Commerce  
401 South Dwight Avenue  
Monahans, Texas 79756

Dear Ms. Burnett,

Thank you for your letter regarding Commission Staff's Petition for Designation of Competitive Renewable Energy Zones (CREZ). This is a contested case here at the PUC and we held a hearing on the proceeding last week. The Commission expects to make a decision in this case in July.

I have filed your letter and the other letters of support in the administrative record for Docket No. 33672 and Project No. 34577, so that all parties in these cases are aware of your interests.

Best Regards,

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Mr. Smitherman,

I am enclosing signed letters of support for the Designation of Competitive Renewable Energy Zones to be built and located in the West Texas area. These letters are signed by businessmen, retired businessmen or women, and many citizens that are in complete support of such a project existing in our area.

I have taken the existing copy of the support letter and have made copies of it inviting any and all to come by my office and sign it if they would like to show their support. I hope that you will accept these letters as being real and unforged by our office.

I have also sent you a package of support letters a few weeks ago that contained approximately 75 letters.

I would like to thank you also for your support and efforts for our area on this project.

Respectfully,

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Best regards,

*Peggy Vestal*

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Monahans-Wickett-Pyote ISD

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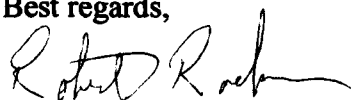
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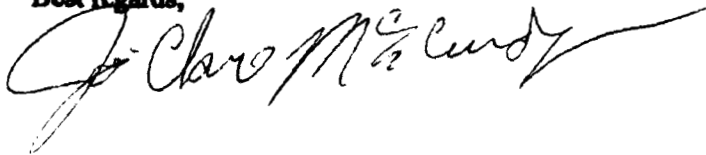
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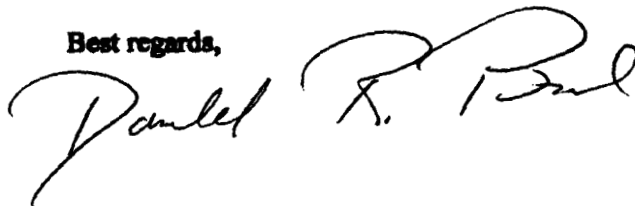
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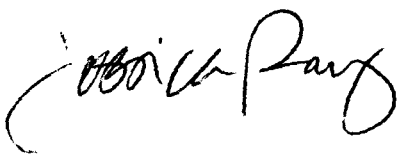
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