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US Environmental Protection Agency
Clerk of the Board, Environmental Appeals Board
Ariel Rios Building
1200 Pennsylvania Ave, NW
Washington D.C. 20460-0001

This is a formal request of the Environmental Protection Agency, requesting an administrative review on the proposed injection well #MI-089-2D-0004. As per the letter that I received, I am requesting this within 30 days of the date on the proposed permit. Please advise if/when the hearing will take place.

There are several families in addition to ours that live within the immediate vicinity of the proposed well. I have concerns as to the safety and potential impact on the environment. Other people in the area, that know much more than I with regards to these matters, also have strong concerns. The well is in an area that contains drinking wells, farmland, and is on a hill overlooking Grand Traverse Bay, all of which could suffer significant damage if something were to happen with the proposed well. In addition to the potential for underground leaks, there exists the potential for above ground spills and contamination, as well as impacts from the trucking in and out of the well area. A last major concern is that the well could be used for other purposes in the future over and above the brine waste water that is currently proposed. This has already happened in the adjacent Grand Traverse County where wells originally designated for brine wastewater have been used to accept wastewater from the local cherry industry (it is my understanding that the cherry waste contains toxins that we certainly would not want in our ground).

Thank you for your time and consideration in this matter.

Sincerely,



Terry Novak

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