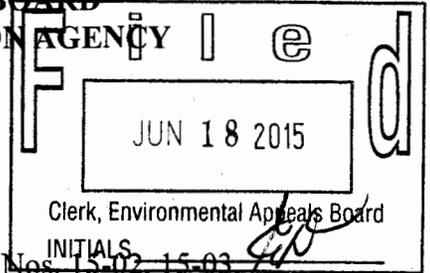


**BEFORE THE ENVIRONMENTAL APPEALS BOARD
UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
WASHINGTON, D.C.**



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In re: _____)
Wind River Oil & Gas Permits _____)
NPDES Permit Nos. WY-00203338, _____)
WY-0024945, WY-0024953, WY-0025232, _____)
WY-0025607 _____)
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NPDES Appeal Nos. 15-02, 15-03, 15-04, and 15-05

**ORDER GRANTING JOINT MOTION
TO STAY BRIEFING SCHEDULE**

On June 16, 2015, five of the seven parties to the above-captioned matter filed a Joint Motion to stay the briefing schedule established by the Environmental Appeals Board. The five, consisting of Wesco Operating, Inc., Phoenix Production Co., U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Region 8, the Northern Arapaho Tribe, and the Eastern Shoshone Tribe, report that the remaining two parties, Natural Resources Defense Council and Public Employees for Environmental Responsibility, do not oppose the Joint Motion.

The five express their belief that these permit appeals “are likely amenable to resolution through the [Alternative Dispute Resolution (“ADR”)] process.” Joint Motion at 1-2. They are concerned that compliance with a briefing schedule prior to the filing of ADR issue statements may require them to take litigation positions that could undermine the settlement process.

For good cause shown, the Joint Motion is hereby **GRANTED**. Accordingly, further briefing in this case is stayed pending ADR developments. The due date, however, for issue statements (which must be sent directly to Settlement Judge Leslye M. Fraser) is hereby moved ahead one week, from Friday, July 24, 2015, to **Friday, July 17, 2015**.

So ordered.

ENVIRONMENTAL APPEALS BOARD

Dated: June 18, 2015

By: Kathie A. Stein
Kathie A. Stein
Environmental Appeals Judge

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I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing **Order Granting Joint Motion to Stay Briefing Schedule** in the matter of *Wind River Oil & Gas Permits*, NPDES Appeal Nos. 15-02 to -05, were sent to the following persons in the manner indicated:

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