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Tina Artemis (8RC)
Regional Hearing Clerk
U.S. E.P.A. Region 8
1595 Wyn Koop St.
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Dear Ms. Artemis,

I have been made aware of the complaint against Gary's Auto Body and I want to comment that his is an Auto Body and Glass Repair Shop.

Since I've known Gary over 30 years no internal combustion engine repair or commercial mechanical maintenance has been done at this shop. The fresh water body wash he was draining was minimal use from a garden hose nozzle and was consumed by growing plants and weeds around the area and evaporation by our dry and windy climate.

Mr. Smith did not consider his drain an injection, however he has since permanently plugged and discontinued it's use in response to E.P.A. urging.

I doubt any injection or seepage has happened in this example to the underground source of water since the nearest existing water table is 190' from the land surface and there are many feet of packed clay formation and sandstone layers protecting the Ogallala water Formation in this and surrounding areas.

In the absence of any evidence of injection and the discontinued use of the drain. It would be my prayer and hope that a modification or withdrawal of the complaint could be considered.

Respectfully Yours,



Ruben Schaal

A Colorado Licensed Well Drilling Contractor #803