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**CERTIFIED MAIL**  
**RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED**

J. Craig Creel  
TC Operating LLC  
138 South Park Square, Suite 203  
Fruita, Colorado 81521

Re: **DRAFT Permit Decision**  
EPA UIC Permit CO12264-09864  
Well: Deer Creek SWD #1  
NENE Sec. 2-T14S-R98W  
Mesa County, Colorado  
API No. 05-077-10096-00

Dear Mr. Creel:

Enclosed is the DRAFT Underground Injection Control Program permit decision denying your UIC Class I permit application for the Deer Creek SWD #1 injection well. Also, enclosed are a Statement of Basis that discusses development of the proposed Permit decision and a copy of the Public Notice Announcement.

Environmental Protection Agency regulations and procedures for issuing UIC Permit decisions are found in Title 40 of the Code of Federal Regulations Part 124 (40 CFR §124). These regulations and procedures require a public notice and the opportunity for the public to comment on this proposed UIC permit decision.

The public comment period will run for thirty (30) days from the latest date of publication. You may call Sallena Rodriguez at (800) 227-8917, extension 312-6279, to obtain the exact deadline for submitting public comments. The Public Notice Announcement will be published in the following publication(s):

Grand Junction Daily Sentinel, Grand Junction  
Rifle Citizen Telegram, Rifle

The enclosed copy of the Public Notice of Intent to Deny and Statement of Basis are being sent to afford you an opportunity to provide written comment on the draft permit decision during the comment period. The final permit decision will not be made until after the close of the comment period. All relevant comments will be taken into consideration. If any substantial comments are received or if any substantial

changes are made between the draft permit decision and prior to the final permit decision, the effective date of the final permit will be delayed for an additional thirty (30) days as required by 40 CFR §124.15 (b), to allow for any potential appeal of the final permit decision.

If you have comments regarding the draft permit decision or Statement of Basis, please write to Dan Jackson at the letterhead address citing "Mail Code 8P-W-UIC." You may also write to or telephone Dan Jackson at (800) 227-8917, extension 312-6155, if you have any questions regarding the regulations and procedures for issuing UIC Permit decisions.

Sincerely,

Sadie M. Hoskie  
Director, Water Program

Enclosures: Public Notice of Intent to Deny  
Draft Statement of Basis

cc: Robert Koehler, COGCC



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