FINAL PERMIT DENIAL

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

UNDERGROUND INJECTION CONTROL CLASS V WELL PERMIT APPLICATION for

WINONA INN LIMITED PARTNERSHIP DBA THE LODGE AT MOUNT RUSHMORE

24075 Highway 16A Keystone, South Dakota

EPA UIC Files # SD50000-11095 through 11098

The United States Environmental Protection Agency Region 8 is issuing a Final Permit decision to deny a permit to Winona Inn Limited Partnership DBA the Lodge at Mount Rushmore to dispose of sanitary waste into the Lodge's Onsite Wastewater Treatment Systems.

The EPA issued public notice of its intent to deny the application on its Region 8 website on February 15, 2017, and in two local South Dakota newspapers. The EPA prepared a Statement of Basis (SOB) to accompany its intent to deny, which discussed the reasons supporting the EPA's action and made the document available for public review. The 30-day public comment period that the EPA provided expired on March 17, 2017.

After consideration of the final administrative record, including the public comments received, the EPA finds that the reasons for denial in the SOB remain valid and is therefore issuing this final decision to deny a Permit to Winona Inn Limited Partnership DBA The Lodge at Mount Rushmore.

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