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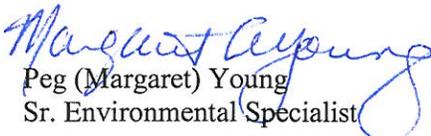
Dear Messrs. Fischer and Beierle:

On behalf of Bonanza Creek Energy, Inc., I am writing to correct any misunderstanding arising from the August 23, 2013 letter that Justin Solomon and John Cocroft, of LT Environmental, prepared for Bonanza Creek ("LT Environmental Letter").

The LT Environmental Letter reviews a July 26, 2013 project update report by Shaw Environmental, Inc./CB&I for Praxair, Inc., regarding groundwater monitoring at Praxair's plant near Walden, Colorado ("Shaw Letter"). The Shaw Letter concludes that the May 2013 benzene concentrations at Praxair's monitoring wells MW-4 and MW-11 are attributable to migration from Bonanza Creek's offsite operations. The LT Environmental Letter disagrees with this conclusion based upon the currently available information. LT Environmental Letter concludes that the benzene levels may have been caused by the underground lines for the vent for Praxair's plant and underground pipelines serving Praxair's facility.

To obtain additional information, the LT Environmental Letter recommends that four additional monitoring wells be installed at the Praxair facility. Under the circumstances, any installation of these wells would be the responsibility of Praxair and not Bonanza Creek. Because the source of the benzene levels has not yet been established Praxair should conduct any further sampling at its own facility. Bonanza Creek is continuing to conduct its own investigation and is willing to continue to share information and coordinate its work with that of Praxair and your respective agencies. Bonanza Creek is scheduling a meeting for this purpose for either October 21st or 22nd based on participant availability.

Sincerely,
Bonanza Creek Energy Operating Company, LLC


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