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**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF WYOMING**

STATE OF WYOMING, STATE OF)
MONTANA,)
)
Petitioners,)
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v.)
)
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF)
THE INTERIOR; SALLY JEWELL, in her)
official capacity as Secretary of the Interior;)
UNITED STATES BUREAU OF LAND)
MANAGEMENT; and NEIL KORNZE, in)
his official capacity as Director of the)
Bureau of Land Management,)
)
Respondents.)

Civil No. 16-CV-285-S

WYOMING AND MONTANA'S MOTION FOR PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION

The States of Wyoming and Montana, pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 65, move the Court for an order enjoining the November 18, 2016 final action of the United States Bureau of Land Management (Bureau) entitled *Waste Prevention, Production Subject to Royalties, and Resource Conservation*, found at 81 Fed. Reg. 83008 (Nov. 18, 2016) (known as the “Venting and Flaring Rule”). The States have attached a memorandum in support of this motion, as well as the affidavit of Bridget Hill, Wyoming Office of State Lands and Investments Director, the affidavit of Dan Noble, Wyoming Department of Revenue Director, the affidavit of Darla Potter, Wyoming Department of Environmental Quality, Air Quality Division, Air Quality Resource Management Program Manager, the affidavit of Nancy Vehr, Wyoming Department of Environmental Quality, Air Quality Division Administrator, and the affidavit of Mark Watson, Wyoming Oil and Gas Conservation Commission Oil and Gas Supervisor.

WHEREFORE, the States request that this Court enjoin the Bureau’s rule and maintain the status quo during the pendency of this appeal.

DATED this 28th day of November, 2016.

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