My name is Mike Bach, my wife and I own our home and property at 3340 Wilson Creek Road. I own Bach Drilling Company.

I just recently became aware of plans to build a slaughterhouse next to our property. This is a great concern to us. I have lived here since 1969 and have been drilling in Kittitas County during that time. A large part of my drilling in early years was replacing contaminated water wells near our property. The wells were being contaminated by the surface water that rises and drops, affected by all the real irrigation. At least 80% of the wells were affected by the surface water. The slaughterhouse proposal represents a huge threat to the ground water in our area. Their need for a large amount of water and the disposal of the water is a threat. There is no detailed plan for the water and disposal, impact on the traffic on Wilson Creek Road, damage to property value, air quality due to the smell from cattle and offal are not addressed and are legitimate concerns. Our Wilson Creek Road and adjoining neighborhood has met two times, and no one is for having this enterprise in our area. All of us are of the same accord and will resist to the end.

My drilling license No. 22 is one of the first in the State. I am all for progress, just in the proper locations, not where is destroys all the neighborhood life.

In closing, our residential area will be drastically affected by a business like this.

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