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N.D. Public Service Commission
600 East Boulevard
Dept. 408
Bismarck, ND 58505

FROM DIRECTOR - RECLAMATION DIV.

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Members of the Public Service Commission,

My name is Audrey Cleary and I have been a resident of Bismarck for 56 years.

I have many concerns about the proposed mining site at South Heart. Most disturbing is the definite health risk of uranium particles which will be stirred up during the mining process. These particles will blow around and cause health problems in the surrounding communities. The mining permit does not address this issue.

I am also concerned about the impact on Theodore Roosevelt National Park. Putting a mine near the Park may leave the area vulnerable to further industry such as a coal plant. Such a happening would definitely impact the Park. My son and his family have a cabin just outside the Park. If this mine is allowed, his family would not want to go to their cabin if they would risk breathing uranium and other toxins.

This Park is the biggest tourist attraction in North Dakota. Many of us use the Park for camping, hiking, and biking. We cannot afford to jeopardize this treasure. That is why I am asking that you please vote against this mine permit.

I request a formal hearing where the general public can be heard.

Sincerely,

Audrey Cleary
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