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Regarding: Civil Action No. No. 12-cv-00395-RPM-MEH

Mr. Stallings,

It has come to my attention that the anti-trust suit brought by the DOJ is not a done deal and that the public is able to comment on it. Please consider more – and more meaningful - actions than the proposed settlement of fining Gunnison Energy Corporation (GEC) and SG Interests (SGI) \$275,000 each for this blatant infringement of the Sherman Antitrust Act.

Especially at this time in the county's history when so many natural gas firms are merely speculating on natural gas leases, and while the practice of horizontal hydraulic fracturing is carried out without the mandate to report all the chemicals added to the fracturing mixture, and while natural gas import terminals are being converted to export domestically produced gas, and while Tim DeChristopher is doing two years hard time for his lease bidding in Utah (which few would argue that he did for reasons other than protecting the land and its inhabitants), it is discouraging to see that GEC and SGI may only receive a relative slap on the wrist for an apparently flagrant violation.

I believe appropriate treatment of the offending companies would include:

- Revoke the four leases involved in the faulty bidding in question
- Vigorously investigate the other BLM auctions these companies have participated in

Thank you for your consideration in this matter. I am encouraged to believe that even though corporations are now legally considered to have the rights of natural persons, they may be treated in ways that show they are not the all-powerful entities often seem to be.

Sincerely,



Brad Burritt