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June 9, 2011

Mario Carrera, Chair
Colorado Reapportionment Commission
1313 Sherman Street, Office 122
Denver, CO 80203

RE: Colorado General Assembly Legislative Districts

Dear Chair Carrera:

The Garfield County Commissioners wish to present our opinions regarding State House and Senate district reapportionment to the Commission. In accordance with the provisions of Article V of the Colorado Constitution, our preference is that all of Garfield County be included in House District 57, our historical "community of interest." If this is not attainable under the constitutional equal-population requirement, we request that our County remain as is, with the western part of the County in House District ("H.D.") 57 and the eastern portion in H.D. 61. If Garfield County must remain split, we ask that neither H.D. 57 nor H.D. 61 be expanded. Further, we are strongly in disagreement with the proposed additional split placing a portion of Garfield County in yet a third house district.

As to senate districts, we request that all of Garfield County be placed within Senate District ("S.D.") 8. This would require moving one of our major communities, Battlement Mesa, from S.D. 7 into S.D. 8.

We appreciate your consideration in this matter. For further information, please contact either Jean Alberico, the Garfield County Clerk and Recorder, or John Martin, the undersigned Chair of the Garfield County Board of County Commissioners, regarding Garfield County's position regarding legislative reapportionment. You may, of course, consult with our representative, Dale Hancock, Assistant County Manager, present at your June 13 meeting.

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Sincerely yours,

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF GARFIELD COUNTY

By: 
John Martin, Chairman

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cc: Jean Alberico, Garfield County Clerk and Recorder
Commissioner Mike Sampson
Commissioner Tom Jankovsky
Dale Hancock, Assistant County Manager