HB 1060

Attachment F

Good Afternoon, Chairwoman Curry and Committee Members

I am Lorraine Anderson, Mayor Pro Tem of the City of Arvada. I am also Chair of the Rocky Flats Stewardship Council. The Rocky Flats Stewardship Council has not had time to react to this legislation, but they have strongly opposed it in the past. The City of Arvada is also strongly opposed to this bill because of the following reasons:

The City and the six other communities surrounding the site have worked with Congressman Udall and Senator Allard and numerous other stakeholders and invested an incredible amount of time, resources and personal commitment to ensure a safe and protective cleanup. House Bill 1060 devalues all of that work. The City of Arvada is absolutely committed to fully informing the public about Rocky Flats. However, the City cannot support a bill that excludes all of the communities, stakeholders, regulators, and agencies that worked to secure a cleanup that is protective of human health and environment.

For instance, a full time refuge worker at the site will receive less than 10 millirem dose per year of ionizing radiation. To put that into perspective, a woman get approximately 8 times that amount from a mammogram. A pilot flying 3 times a year round-trip from Denver to New York get about 10 millirem. The language proposed for the signage mischaracterizes the entire issue and is not based on the facts of the cleanup.

Also, the Rocky Flats Stewardship Council worked with the USFWS to fully inform visitors to the site with signs that will be erected at all trailheads and other public access points to Rocky Flats. I have a copy for your use with highlighted areas that are pertinent to the discussion of this bill.

Thank you for you consideration and I ask you on behalf of all the people who worked to make this site safe for the public to vote no on HB1060 because it is not needed.