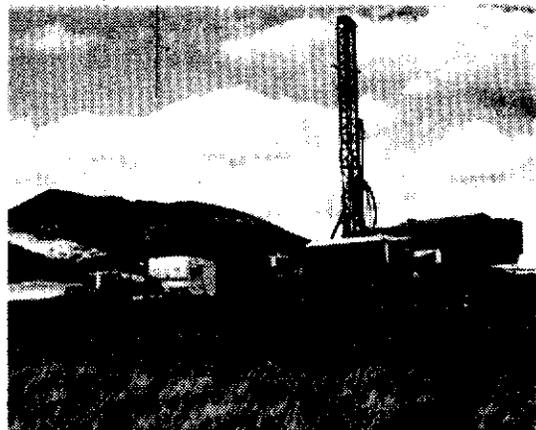


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HB 43

House Committee Federal Relations, Energy, and Telecommunications
Montana State Capitol
Helena, Montana 59620

RE: Committee Hearing HB 43

Dear Committee Members:

I am writing this letter as a land owner, mineral owner, recipient of a royalty interest check, and the President of the Montana Land and Mineral Owners Association.

I'm here asking for your support on House Bill 43. Every time I receive a royalty check, I always have the feeling that there are some unlisted deductions that I never know about. I believe with this legislation requesting more information on our check stubs that we will have a better understanding of what was withheld before the net payment figure.

Sincerely,

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