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A NEGATIVE DECLARATION  
FOR THE  
ROGER W. NIELSEN SWINE OPERATION

Pursuant to the Montana Environmental Policy Act, the following negative declaration has been prepared by the Department of Health and Environmental Sciences concerning the proposed Roger Nielsen swine operation and his request for a waste discharge permit for that same facility near Whitefish, Montana.

The purpose of this negative declaration is to inform all interested governmental agencies and public groups of the Water Quality Bureau's intent not to write an environmental impact statement. This declaration will be circulated for a period of ten days at which time a decision will be made as to whether or not a waste discharge permit should be issued. If you care to comment on this application for a permit, please do so within that allotted time.

Mr. Roger W. Nielsen proposes to construct an animal confinement facility having capacity for approximately 40 sows with litters and 135 feeder pigs. The animal confinement facility will be total confinement in nature with all livestock contained within buildings. The animal confinement facility will be located in the NE $\frac{1}{4}$ , SW $\frac{1}{4}$ , Sec. 33, T. 31 N., R. 22 W., of Flathead County approximately 3-1/2 miles west of Whitefish, Montana. The approximate location of this proposed facility is indicated on the attached map.

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Mr. Steven L. Pilcher  
Water Quality Bureau  
Department of Health & Env. Sciences  
Helena, MT 59601

Dear Mr. Pilcher:

Our regional office in Kalispell has reviewed your negative declaration for the Roger Nielsen swine operation near Whitefish.

Subsequent to that review they prepared the attached memo. We hope this information will be of use.

Sincerely,

James A. Posewitz, Administrator  
Environment & Information Division

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cc: Otis Robbins  
✓ Environmental Quality Council

