FILED 03/07/2019

Bowen Greenwood
CLERK OF THE SUPREME COURT
STATE OF MONTANA

Case Number: DA 18-0110

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF MONTANA Case No. DA 18-0110

MONTANA ENVIRONMENTAL INFORMATION CENTER and SIERRA CLUB,

Plaintiffs and Appellees,

v.

MONTANA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY and WESTERN ENERGY COMPANY,

Defendants and Appellants.

CLARK FORK COALITION'S UNOPPOSED MOTION FOR LEAVE TO PRESENT ORAL ARGUMENT

Pursuant to Rule 17(8) of the Montana Rules of Appellate Procedure, the Clark Fork Coalition (CFC) requests leave to present oral argument on behalf of *amici curiae* Clark Fork Coalition and Trout Unlimited in support of Plaintiffs/Appellees Montana Environmental Information Center and Sierra Club. If its motion is granted, CFC would present brief oral argument, not to exceed 7 minutes, with such time being subtracted from the time allotted to the Appellees. CFC has contacted counsel for Plaintiffs/Appellees and Defendant/Appellants, and they do not oppose this motion.

Respectfully submitted this 7th day of March, 2019.

By: /s/Andrew Gorder_____ Andrew Gorder, Legal Director Clark Fork Coalition 140 S. 4th St. W, Unit 1 Missoula, MT 59801 (406) 542-0539 ext. 202 andrew@clarkfork.org

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that the foregoing Motion for Leave to File an *Amicus Curiae* brief was served upon the following by e-service or first-class mail, the 7th day of March 2019, as follows:

Kirsten Bowers
Edward Hayes
Montana Department of
Environmental Quality
1520 East Sixth Ave.
P.O. Box 200901
Helena, MT 59620-0901
Attorneys for Defendant/Appellant
Montana Department of
Environmental Quality

John C. Martin Holland & Hart LLP 975 F Street NW, Suite 900 Washington, DC 20004

William W. Mercer Victoria A. Marquis Holland & Hart LLP 401 N. 31st Street, Suite 1500 P.O. Box 639 Billings, MT 59103-0639 Attorneys for Defendant/Appellant

Western Energy Company

Laura S. Ziemer
Patrick A. Byorth
Meg K. Casey
TROUT UNLIMITED
321 East Main Street, Suite 411
Bozeman, MT 59715

Attorneys for Amicus Curiae Trout Unlimited Shiloh Hernandez Matthew Bishop Laura King

Western Environmental Law Center

103 Reeder's Alley Helena, MT 59601

Attorney for Plaintiffs/Appellees Montana Environmental Information

Center and Sierra Club

Steven T. Wade W. John Tietz M. Christy McCann

Browning, Kaleczyc, Berry & Hoven P.C.

800 N. Last Chance Gulch, Ste. 101

P.O. Box 1697 Helena, MT 59624

Attorneys for Amici Curiae Treasure State

Resource Association of Montana,

Montana Petroleum Association, Montana

Coal Council, and Montana Mining

Association.

/s/ Andrew Gorder_____ Andrew Gorder

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Andrew Scott Gorder, hereby certify that I have served true and accurate copies of the foregoing Motion - Unopposed - Oral Argument - Leave to Participate to the following on 03-07-2019:

Kirsten Hughes Bowers (Attorney)

1520 E. 6th Ave.

P.O. 200901

Helena MT 59620

Representing: Environmental Quality, Montana Department of

Service Method: eService

Matthew Kellogg Bishop (Attorney)

Western Environmental Law Center

103 Reeder's Alley

Helena MT 59601

Representing: Montana Environmental Information Center, Sierra Club

Service Method: eService

Shiloh Silvan Hernandez (Attorney)

103 Reeder's Alley

Helena MT 59601

Representing: Montana Environmental Information Center, Sierra Club

Service Method: eService

Laura Helen King (Attorney)

103 Reeder's Alley

Helena MT 59601

Representing: Montana Environmental Information Center, Sierra Club

Service Method: eService

William W. Mercer (Attorney)

401 North 31st Street

Suite 1500

PO Box 639

Billings MT 59103-0639

Representing: Western Energy Company

Service Method: eService

Mary Christina Surr McCann (Attorney)

201 W. Railroad St., Suite 300

Missoula MT 59802

Representing: Treasure State Resource Association of Montana, Montana Petroleum Association (MPA), Montana Coal Council, Montana Mining Assoc., et al., Montana Association of Oil, Gas, and

Coal Counties, Rosebud County

Service Method: eService

Victoria A. Marquis (Attorney)

401 North 31st Street

Suite 1500

P.O. Box 639

Billings MT 59103-0639

Representing: Western Energy Company

Service Method: eService

Laura S. Ziemer (Attorney)

317 North Ida Avenue

Bozeman MT 59715

Representing: Trout Unlimited, Montana Council of

Service Method: eService

John C. Martin (Attorney)

P.O. Box 68

25 S. Willow Street

Suite 200

Jackson WY 83001

Representing: Western Energy Company

Service Method: eService

Edward Hayes (Attorney)

P.O. Box 200901

Helena MT 59620-0901

Representing: Environmental Quality, Montana Department of

Service Method: Conventional

William John Tietz (Attorney)

800 N. Last Chance Gulch, Suite 101

P.O. Box 1697

Helena MT 59624-1697

Representing: Treasure State Resource Association of Montana, Montana Petroleum Association (MPA), Montana Coal Council, Montana Mining Assoc., et al., Montana Association of Oil, Gas, and

Coal Counties, Rosebud County Service Method: Conventional

Steven T. Wade (Attorney)

800 N. Last Chance Gulch, Suite 101

P.O. Box 1697

Helena MT 59624-1697

Representing: Treasure State Resource Association of Montana, Montana Petroleum Association (MPA), Montana Coal Council, Montana Mining Assoc., et al., Montana Association of Oil, Gas, and Coal Counties, Rosebud County

Service Method: Conventional

Patrick Arthur Byorth (Attorney) 321 E. Main Street, Suite 411 Bozeman MT 59715

Representing: Trout Unlimited, Montana Council of

Service Method: Conventional

Megan Casey (Attorney)
Trout Unlimited
321 E Main St
Bozeman MT 59715

Representing: Trout Unlimited, Montana Council of

Service Method: Conventional

Electronically Signed By: Andrew Scott Gorder

Dated: 03-07-2019