

1 SHEEHAN: McEnroe. Sorry. Sorry, John not called yet. Go
2 ahead, state your name, your last name, spell your last name etc.

3 VEGHTE: My name is John Veghte, spelled V-e-g-h-t-e. I am a
4 registered professional petroleum engineer. I live at 21589 Grandview Avenue,
5 Golden, Colorado. The Lake Cedar Group desires to construct a 73 story red
6 and white flashing tower and a 20,000 square foot industrial complex on Lookout
7 Mountain with an indicated 2,000 horsepower of diesel engines with their
8 accompanying noise, pollution and vibration. To support this complex, a 20,000
9 gallon diesel fuel storage tank will be located in the employees parking lot. The
10 location of this tankage is adjacent to the Golden Reservoir which supplies water
11 to Golden and is directly above the area's shallow aquifer which supplies
12 approximately 40 homes in the immediate area with their domestic water. Any
13 installation of large volumes of hydrocarbon is an environmental hazard. The
14 Lookout Mountain location is particularly vulnerable due to the nature of it's
15 geology. The rock that is surrounding and beneath this tankage is naturally
16 fractured granite. This type of bedrock has no measured velocity and is
17 extremely and it has an extremely high fluid flow capacity or permeability. Such
18 a condition provides a direct pipeline from this diesel storage tank into the local
19 aquifer. I've installed tankage above and below ground for 40 years and they do
20 leak for various reasons. Diesel storage tanks on Lookout Mountain have
21 leaked in the past. This leakage has necessitated the closure of tankage at the
22 Channel 4 site and the Channel 9 site and at the Conoco fuel stop. Single point
23 monitoring of such a large tankage within a fractured matrix is ineffective.

1 Another consideration is that the 20,000 gallons of fuel is an 80 ton bomb. A
2 good lightning strike or any ignition that the tanks vents and it's kaboom. The
3 entire communications system, radio, microwave, television for the entire metro
4 Denver and the front range area is destroyed. It took the terrorists only 12,000
5 gallons of jet fuel to bring down the World Trade Center. Such an installation
6 does not belong anywhere much less in a residential area and just about several
7 housing developments. As a petroleum engineer who has worked with these
8 fluids all my life, I recommend denial of this application. Thank you. Are there
9 any questions?

10 SHEEHAN: No as I recall that was new testimony so thank you.
11 That was interesting. A very good point. Hopefully the applicant will have a
12 response to that issue. James Vickery?

13 HOLLOWAY: He's home watching television.

14 SHEEHAN: But not HDTV because he can't get it. Okay, John
15 McEnroe? Here I thought he was you know announcing for the Wimbledon here
16 this week, but maybe he's not. No? Okay. Okay, Barbara, looks like Crane,
17 Barbara Crane, Barbara B. Crane. Not here? Andy Beck.

18 TUTHILL: He already testified.

19 LAWRENCE: He already spoke.

20 SHEEHAN: He already testified. Okay these didn't say whether
21 or not they wanted to testify or not. Debbie and Charles South? Not here.
22 Okay, Michael Reilly? Okay, then Rod Tyma? Monnie Barrett said yes. Monnie
23 wants to wait till the 8th or something.