

Water Rights Section – Application Comment Evaluation Form

Application Number: G-17399

Date: 2011-1-21

Caseworker: Kerry Kavanagh

Name of Commentor: Bart McKee, Springfield Utility Board (SUB)

Description: On August 5, 2010, the Department received a letter from Bart McKee, with Springfield Utility Board (SUB). Mr. McKee requested that the proposed well be constructed to terminate above any confining layer or, if found necessary, be sealed into a confining layer. Mr. McKee is concerned about the potential for future water quality issues in SUB's drinking water supply wells. Mr. McKee expressed his concerns regarding SUB's Sport Way Well (LANE 16446), which is located approximately 5700 feet northwest of the well proposed under this application.

Evaluation of Comment: On January 11, 2011, Josh Hackett, groundwater hydrologist with the Department's Groundwater Section, evaluated the construction parameters suggested by Mr. McKee. Mr. Hackett determined that because there is **not** a laterally continuous confining layer, Mr. McKee's suggestions will not benefit SUB's well (LANE 16446). Therefore, the findings of the June 29, 2010 Public Interest Review are not affected and will not change.

Finding for PFO: Continue with PFO, as previously indicated in the initial review.