



January 26, 2017

The Honorable Speaker Ryan
H-232 The Capitol
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Mr. Speaker,

Encana Oil & Gas (USA) Inc. ("Encana") supports consideration of the Bureau of Land Management's (BLM) Venting and Flaring Rule under the Congressional Review Act. By way of background, Encana is an oil and gas company with federal oil and gas wells in Colorado, Wyoming and New Mexico that would be impacted by the rule.

Encana submitted extensive comments against the proposed rule in 2016. We believe the rule regulates air, to which BLM does not have the authority. We also believe the rule is duplicative of existing state and Environmental Protection Agency action on air quality and regulating methane emissions. In addition to the lack of authority to promulgate such a rule, we are concerned that this rule will further delay permitting on federal lands. In an atmosphere where agencies have limited financial resources and staff, we believe BLM should focus on their multiple use mission, including improving oil and gas permitting, not further delaying it.

We would like to thank the House Natural Resources Committee and Chairman Bishop for working diligently on this issue throughout the rulemaking. We would also like to thank you for using your authority under the CRA to review and reassess this overreaching regulation.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Matthew A. Most".

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