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Email Transmittal

Central Platte Natural Resources District  
Board of Directors  
Alicia Haussler, Chair  
215 N. Kaufman Ave.  
Grand Island, NE 68803

Subject: COHYST - Your requested response to my December 15, 2003 letter, copy attached..

Dear Board Members:

In my letter of December 15, 2003, I specifically asked you to take timely action to correct the problems I have identified with the COHYST project. In that letter I asked for your written response by January 8, 2004. I have not received any response from you. Nor is there any indication in the summary of your December 2003 board meeting as posted on your web site that you have even constructively discussed or considered this as a board.

The problems which I have identified with COHYST have been communicated to you several times over the last year. These have been communicated to you both in written form and as part of my meeting with your Water Resources Committee on October 23, 2003. My recommendations have been specific, actionable, and based on sound technical and managerial considerations.

It is extremely disappointing to have not even had the courtesy of consideration of my input and requests, nor any kind of response to even acknowledge that you received or are going to consider my recommendations and requests.

It seems necessary to remind you that, as elected officials, you are obligated both by law and ethics to objectively and constructively address issues brought to your attention when those issues concern landowners and other parties within the CPNRD geographical area that are affected by your actions. It appears to me that, by your consistent failure to respond, or even seriously consider addressing these issues that you are not meeting your obligations to those landowners - like myself - who will be harmed by the future negative impact that will occur if these identified problems with COHYST are not corrected.

Please advise me in writing on or before January 19, 2004 when you will be addressing these issues and what your specific action plan is going to be. That response may be transmitted to me by email to the above address or by fax.

Very truly yours,

Ronald D. Klein

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