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Thanks Bob.

But don't worry about me personally.

Because of our collective work (rules, enforcement, science, soft power) we have dozens of states (including Texas) with brand new disclosure requirements for fracking fluid chemicals, new state rules specific to hydrofracking regulation, new state well cementing/casing requirements, and more state resources to conduct air emissions inspections.

Add to that tighter federal rules for gulf off-shore NPDES discharges, GHG reporting for fugitive methane,

and engaging USGS and state geo surveys to take seismic activity seriously.

~~None of this would have happened had the 2008 election gone the other way. None.~~

We have set things in motion, including empowering and ~~shaming the states~~, to clean up the oil/gas sector. Further progress is inevitable.

I am extremely proud of the work we have collectively done. ~~Gina's new air rules will soon be the icing on the cake, on an issue I worked on years before my current job.~~

I'm glad to play my part.

Best to the team.

Al

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Al. This is shameful. I'm sorry you must endure this.

Al Armendariz

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Statement by Texas Railroad Commissioner David Porter on EPA's Withdrawal of Order Against Range Resources

AUSTIN — Texas Railroad Commissioner David Porter today applauded the United States Environmental Protection Agency for its decision to withdraw the Imminent and Substantial Endangerment Order, issued on December 7, 2010, to Range Resources Corporation.

"Today the EPA finally made a decision based on science and fact versus playing politics with the Texas economy," said Commissioner Porter. "The EPA's withdrawal of the emergency order against Range Resources upholds the Railroad Commission Final Order that I signed concluding that Range is not responsible for any water contamination in Parker County."

"Al Armanderiz and the EPA's Region Six office are guilty of fear mongering, gross negligence and severe mishandling of this case. I hope to see drastic changes made in the way the regional office conducts business in the future – starting with the termination of Al Armanderiz."

"Today's decision reflects my long standing position that the EPA and the Obama administration should stay out of regulatory matters in

Texas and let us remain in charge of protecting our own natural resources.”

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