



May 4, 2009

Battlement Mesa Service Association  
Attn: Mr. Chuck Hall  
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Re: Antero Resources Gas Development Plans  
Battlement Mesa, Colorado

Dear Mr. Hall:

Antero Resources Piceance Corporation is actively developing natural gas resources between Rifle and Silt, Colorado. Since 2005, the company has drilled over 175 wells in the area and has been working closely with the community to address impacts of gas development. We believe this cooperation has served all parties well and we continue to enjoy a cooperative working relationship with the community.

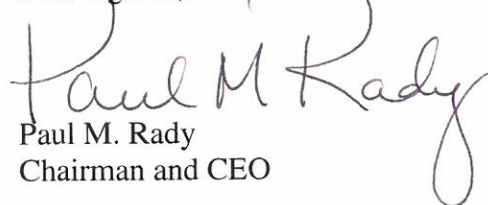
The mineral rights under Battlement Mesa are owned by many parties, the majority of which have been leased to oil and gas operators. Antero has the largest ownership percentage of these leases and has plans to begin developing this resource beginning this year.

We recognize that gas development within the Battlement Mesa PUD will affect the community and have worked diligently with Battlement Mesa Partners to address anticipated concerns of the residents of the Battlement Mesa community. Specifically, Antero has entered into an extremely comprehensive surface use agreement with Battlement Mesa Partners which is designed to address many issues affecting the community, such as safety, lighting, noise, odor, dust, traffic, and visual impact.

As further cooperation with the community, Antero pledges to contribute \$1,000,000 to the Battlement Mesa Service Association to be used at its sole discretion for community development projects. The contribution will be made in annual installments of \$250,000 per fiscal year, beginning with commencement of our operations expected sometime in August 2009.

We sincerely look forward to working with both Battlement Mesa Partners and the Battlement Mesa Service Association regarding our operations in the community.

Best regards,



Paul M. Rady  
Chairman and CEO

cc: Mr. Eric Schmela – Battlement Mesa Partners