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Honorable Mark Udall 1333 West 120th Ave. #210 Westminster, CO 80234

Dear Congressman Udall:

On behalf of the Board of Directors of the Rocky Flats Coalition of Local Governments (Coalition), we would like to thank you for taking the time to meet with the Coalition to discuss H.R. 2179, the "Rocky Flats Open Space Act." We appreciate your commitment to work with the Coalition on that important bill and other issues facing the cleanup and closure of Rocky Flats.

As local governments clearly stated at the meeting, the Coalition remains committed to the principal of preserving the Rocky Flats buffer zone as open space for future generations. Our communities are situated downwind and downstream of Rocky Flats, and our constituents recreate on lands neighboring the Site. We recognize the importance of preserving the buffer zone as open space and are glad to know our message is being heard. The Coalition accepts your offer to further discuss the provisions of the bill and work together to modify the bill as needed.

The cleanup and protection of Rocky Flats necessitates community leaders working together. Your continued leadership on these issues is needed, and we look forward to developing a close working relationship.

Again, thank you for taking the time to meet with the Coalition.

Sincerely yours,

/s/**Thomas Brunner** Chairman

/s/David Abelson **Executive Director**