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Dear Commissioners:

As one who has been a long-time Texan, whose family lives in Texas, and as one who represents Texas mineral/landowners, I do not believe it is wise or appropriate for the Railroad Commission to engage in a prorationing or curtailment of production statewide or in any region. It would have a negative impact on the local economy, including our own family, through layoffs and damage to service industries. This damage has a cascading effect through the entire regional economy. Furthermore, economic liberty fuels the Texas economy and has allowed it to thrive when other states have floundered. Texas should remain a free market state. Prorationing penalizes efficient producers and distorts free markets. In this way, it penalizes average Texans and threatens the basis which makes the Texas economy vibrant and attractive. Additionally, prorationing would give Saudi Arabia, Russia and other OPEC nations leverage over Texas in perpetuity. I appreciate consideration of my views and cannot, unfortunately, testify at the scheduled meeting.

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