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I write as a Texan who is involved in the oil and gas industry. 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. Texas should remain a free market state. Prorationing penalizes efficient producers and distorts free markets. Prorationing would give Saudi Arabia, Russia and other OPEC nations leverage over Texas in perpetuity. I appreciate consideration of my views and do not wish to testify at the scheduled meeting.

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