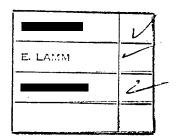
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Mr. Philip H. Schmuck, Director Colorado Division of Planning 1575 Sherman Street Denver, Colorado 80203

Re: Mesa County Sanitation System

Dear Mr. Schmuck:

This will acknowledge receipt of a copy of the letter dated February 22, 1974 sent by your Ms. Kaminsky to Mr. C. W. Brennan, Chairman, Colorado West Area C.O.G. In it, she stated that the Four Corners Regional Commission staff had advised your office that "a grant amount of \$15,000 has been allocated for the Colorado West Area C.O.G. region." She has since reported that the correct amount is \$16,540.

By my first letter to you dated February 21, 1973, you were informed that the Mesa County Commissioners have resorted to the authority granted to them under the provisions of C.R.S. '63, Article 29, as amended, to secure modern sanitation facilities for all of the settled areas of Mesa County not then adequately served. Three A-95 forms were completed and sent to you with a request by the Commissioners for planning monies.

More recently, on November 15, 1973, the Ad Hoc Committee of local citizens acting in the name of the Mesa County Commissioners, and with their knowledge and consent, sent to the Colorado West Area C.O.G. a proposal for expanding, updating and completing a master plan for a Mesa County sanitation system and requesting its assistance in securing \$30,000 for the study. We have been informed by Mr. Dwight Neill, the Colorado representative of the Four Corners Commission, that our application had to be made to your department after consideration and approval by C.O.G.

The purpose of this letter is to request you to inform us by what legislative or administrative authority the grant monies which have been allocated to the Mesa County Commissioners is to be spent by Colorado West Area C.O.G. and its

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staff for purposes determined by them concerning sanitation problems in Mesa County. I have been advised by a spokesman for the Mesa County Commissioners, without equivocation, that the Commissioners are not yet prepared to abdicate their authority to provide modern sanitation facilities for Mesa County in favor of some other authority not elected by the people or responsible to them.

Please let me know that the letter of your office to Mr. Brennan was in error, before the Mesa County Commissioners register their complaints in this matter with the highest administrative authority in the State.

Yours very truly,

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Mesa County Sanitation System

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AA/s

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Mr. Ted Ford, Budget Officer Mesa County

Mr. C. W. Brennan, Chairman, C.O.G.