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We have serious concerns regarding the proposed regulations and their potential failure to protect public health and agricultural safety. Given that millions of gallons of produced water could be applied to land daily, leading to the accumulation of harmful constituents in the ecosystem if the rules are inadequate, it is essential that these regulations be thorough and stringent.

Because this rule will apply to technologies unproven at scale for removing unknown chemicals with unknown environmental exposure risks, a 30-day comment period is inadequate for the public to fully evaluate the rules. We formally request a 30-day extension to the public comment period to develop comprehensive, formal feedback. Additionally, more in-person public meetings should be held in communities in the Permian Basin and Eagle Ford that are most likely to be impacted by land application of treated water.