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The Honorable Larry Powell, Chairperson  
Senate Committee on Natural Resources  
Statehouse, Room 237-E  
Topeka, Kansas 66612

RE: Opposition to SB 124 – Eliminating the sunset on land spreading of oil and gas drilling waste.

My name is Patrick Vogelsberg and I am here today on behalf of the Kansas Chapter of the National Waste & Recycling Association. Our association is an industry and statewide trade group representing the waste services and environmental industry, which provides valuable and sound environmental services to Kansans. On behalf of our members, I appear before you today in opposition to SB 124.

Our members are concerned with the risk of soil contamination that land application of these wastes will have. Furthermore, water runoff and seepage into groundwater are of serious concern. The only appropriate disposal of this contaminated waste is in a regulated solid waste disposal area. Our State's subtitle D landfills have the necessary safeguards in place to handle these wastes and is a much more appropriate place for disposal.

Convenience paired with the risk of irreparable harm should not be a substitute to the safe disposal of drilling waste. Simply put, this waste should go to a regulated disposal area and not applied to our Kansas lands

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in opposition of SB 124. I will stand for questions at the appropriate time.

Sincerely,

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