EXAMPLE:

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STATEMENT OF PROTECTION OF COAL FOR FUTURE UNDERGROUND MINING

In accordance with IC 14-37-4-8(d)(4), <u>Applicant's Name</u> declares that commercially minable coal outside of the coal bed methane production area that contains the proposed coal bed methane well, <u>Lease name and well number</u>, is protected for future underground mining for the following reasons:

- No hydraulic fracturing will be performed on the <u>Name of Coal</u> coal that will be used for coal bed methane production
- The proposed well is at least 500 feet (or the estimated or calculated fracture half length) inside of the outside boundary of the coal bed methane production area.
- The proposed well is not being drilled horizontally within the coal seam.
 Other (please specify)

 Print Name

Date