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May 22, 1979

Memo to Coal File:

RE: Valley Camp of Utah  
Belina #1 Mine  
Carbon County, Utah  
ACT/007/001

Mr. Trevor Whitesides called the Division of May 22, 1979. He was interested in knowing the regulations dealing with right-of-entry of State and Federal Office of Surface Mining personnel to the mine property.

Tom Suchoski, of the Division, returned Mr. Whitesides telephone call. Mr. Whitesides was informed that Section 840.12 of the Permanent Regulatory Program, Title 40-8-17(2) (Utah Mined Land Reclamation Act) and Title 40-10-19(2) (Regulation of Coal Mining and Reclamation Operations Act), of the Utah Code Annotated 1953, all deal with the right-of-entry by State personnel and Section 842.13 deals with the right-of-entry by Federal Office of Surface Mining personnel.

Mr. Whitesides indicated that Valley Camp was having problems with people from various agencies coming unannounced on the premises and taking photographs. Mr. Suchoski informed Mr. Whitesides that whenever possible the State personnel would and have scheduled their visits during working hours and that they would stop at the office to make contact with mine personnel prior to going up to the mine site. If it were not possible to make the visit during working hours, the State personnel would try to contact someone at the mine site to indicate that they were on the property and what they were there for.

Mr. Whitesides wondered if this policy would hold for Office of Surface Mining personnel. Mr. Suchoski informed him that he was not sure, but thought that such a policy would probably be best.

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