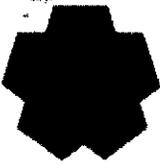


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Dr. Diane Nielson, Director
Division of Oil, Gas and Mining
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Attention: James Smith

Dear Diane:

The Division has evaluated Valley Camp of Utah Inc.'s response to the Apparent Completeness Review for the Mining and Reclamation Plan at the Belina Complex. Enclosed are the Division's specific comments and recommendations.

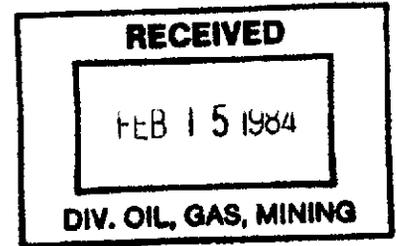
Thank you for an opportunity to review the MRP and provide comment.

Sincerely,

Douglas F. Day
Director

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Enclosure



UTAH DIVISION OF WILDLIFE RESOURCES' COMMENTS
RELATIVE TO VALLEY CAMP OF UTAH, INC.'S RESPONSE
TO THE DETERMINATION OF ADEQUACY RESPONSE
FOR THE MINING AND RECLAMATION PLAN (MRP)
AT THE BELINA COMPLEX

UMC 817.97, Protection of Fish, Wildlife and Related Environmental Values

1. The Determination of Adequacy (DOA) alludes to participation of DWR in studies to determine the importance of specific springs and seeps to big game. The purpose being, that in the event a spring or seep is impacted, only those determined to be "important" to big game will be mitigated for.

DWR will neither participate nor support such a study. The inherent nature of the biotic and abiotic characteristics of point water sources make them a critical habitat component for all wildlife, not just big game. Mitigation will be expected for any spring or seep impacted by mining activity.