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Dr. Dianne Nielson, Director
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Dear Dr. Nielson:

I have received the midterm review comments, for the Belina mine, from the Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement, Albuquerque Field Office.

In accordance with our letter of December 17, 1986, I am forwarding their comments to your office as an attachment. I realize that your staff may have questions regarding our mutual agreement of final resolution to some of the concerns identified by the midterm review process. OSMRE prefers that DOGM in cooperation with Valley Camp of Utah, initiate resolution strategies to the concerns whenever feasible. We are prepared to discuss or assist in resolving any problems encountered while completing this permitting function.

If you have any questions concerning this information please contact Vernon Maldonado or Richard Holbrook at (303) 844-2451.

Sincerely,

Ranvir Singh
for Allen D. Klein
Acting Division Chief
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Enclosure

cc: Lowell Braxton

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Memorandum

TO: Allen D. Klein, Acting Chief
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FROM: *[Signature]* Robert H. Hagen, Director
Albuquerque Field Office

SUBJECT: Additional Recommendations Consequent to the
Belina Mine Complex, UT-013 Midterm Field Review

A field trip was conducted to the Belina Mine Complex on January 29, 1987, to complete the preliminary midterm review process. Representatives of the Albuquerque Field Office were Henry Austin and John Kathmann; Vernon Maldonado represented your Division; Holland Shepherd, Utah Division of Oil, Gas and Mining (DOGM) inspector, accompanied us on the review. Mr. Shepherd's write-up of the meeting is attached.

The DOGM Field Office meeting prior to the mine site review indicated that submissions by the permittee had been received for Permit Conditions 3, 5, 6, and 9, but apparently not for Conditions 4 and 7; these two latter Conditions concern a subsidence control plan for protecting streams and riparian habitats, respectively. All Conditions must be addressed and remedial actions taken by the midterm review process.

The mine site review consisted of a brief tour of the mine site facilities and discussions with the permittee representative, Steve Tanner, on compliance problems experienced at the mine caused by the approved permit. The Belina Mine haul road turn-in area was discussed at length. The public road right-of-way is not known at this time. Its location needs to be resolved so that permit boundaries and permittee responsibility for these areas can be established. Runoff from the haul road above the turn-in area has caused siltation problems to Eccles Creek from coal fines and material sloughing off the roadcut. The AFO recommends that a collection basin be required, via the midterm review process, adjacent to the haul road turn-in area to remove material prior to discharge of the haul road runoff. An additional cross-culvert is also recommended above the turn-in area to reduce the volume of flow from the haul road into the turn-in area.

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Additional changes to the permit during the midterm permit review concern requiring stabilization of the topsoil stockpile via perennial vegetation and upgrading the water quality test parameters to include oil and grease.

If you have any questions, please contact John C. Kathmann at FTS 474-6515.

Attachment