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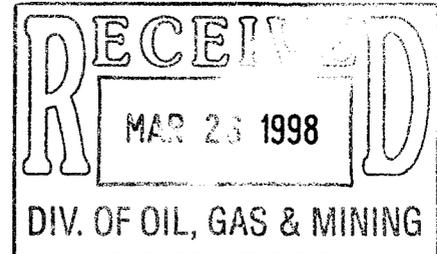
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Utah Division of Oil, Gas and Mining  
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Re: Sediment Removal for Sediment Pond #004A, White Oak Mining & Construction,  
White Oak Mine #1, ACT/007/001-97B, File #2, Carbon County, Utah

Dear Daron,

We have reviewed White Oak Mining & Construction Company's proposal for disposing of sediment from the sediment pond of their #1 Mine within abandoned workings. We also met with representatives of White Oak today, and were given a detailed explanation of why alternative methods of disposal are not feasible.

We consent to the sediment disposal as White Oak has proposed in the mapped "Discharge Area", with the understanding that this is a one-time exception to their normal disposal requirements to solve a current emergency. Chemical and hydrologic analyses indicate there should be no adverse impacts to the hydrologic system.

Please contact Carter Reed or Dale Harber at (435) 637-2817 if you have any additional questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Janette S. Kaiser".

for  
JANETTE S. KAISER  
Forest Supervisor

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