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J. Craig Smith
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60 East South Temple, Suite 1100
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Re: Response on Permit Transfer/ Permit Renewal Concerns, White Oak Mining and Construction Company, Inc., White Oak Mine, ACT/007/001-TR99, Folder #2, Carbon County, Utah

Dear Mr. Smith:

As indicated in our June 24, 1999 letter to you, the Division has reviewed the White Oak Mining and Reclamation Plan to ascertain the potential for adverse impacts to the Hughes Canyon area of the Huntington Creek Drainage. We have enclosed a copy of a technical memo written by our staff Senior Hydrologist, Mike Suflita, who investigated the issue. A revised Probable Hydrologic Consequences document and Cumulative Hydrologic Impact assessment are probably not warranted at this time since no changes to the mining plan (already approved) have been proposed. Given the distance from any projected mining and the geologic conditions of the site it has been determined that there should be no impact to the Hughes Canyon drainage.

Thank you for your interest. Please call if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'Mary Ann Wright', written over a printed name and title.

Mary Ann Wright
Associate Director, Mining

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Enclosure

cc: Vicky Miller, EarthFax
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