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Mr. William C. Bosworth
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Dear Mr. Bosworth:

Re: Permitting Schedule, Blackhawk Coal Company, Willow Creek, ACT/007/002, Folder #2, Carbon County, Utah

The Division staff have reviewed your letter, received December 19, 1988, and found that it is generally an adequate summary of our meeting of October 20. When a specific and detailed reclamation plan for the Willow Creek site has been received, the Division will provide a more detailed technical review for specific compliance with the requirements of the rules.

One item of discussion should be further clarified. That is the issue of the highwall and outslope of the pad. While the original permit, which was reviewed by the Office of Surface Mining, may show those areas to be outside of the permitted disturbed area, it is the Division's policy that the rules require that such areas be considered a part of mining-related activities, and thus be incorporated into the plan for final reclamation.

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It is the Division's understanding, as per your conversation of December 22, 1988 with Lowell Braxton, that Blackhawk will be submitting a specific request for withdrawal of the mid-term submittal and a conceptural reclamation plan by mid-January of 1989. We would encourage your submittal of as detailed a plan as possible at the earliest date, so that actual reclamation work may be accomplished in 1989.

Please call me if I can provide any further clarification.

Sincerely,

Susan C. Linner

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