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Dear Sir:

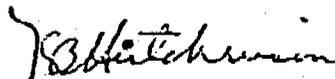
When the original Braztah Corporation (now Price River Coal Company) Mining & Reclamation Plan (211) was submitted, shafts from the surface were indicated in various locations. The locations were our best guess at that time of where the shafts might be needed - i.e., Robinson Gulch; Sowbelly, Price, Crandall, Barn, Dry and Diamond Drill Canyons.

Your office did not approve any of the shafts, and you indicated that a separate application would have to be submitted, giving the details of the shaft construction, e.g., exact location, size, surface disturbance, etc.

Would you please confirm that the possibility of future shafts from the surface has been addressed as I have indicated in paragraph 1. This confirmation would greatly facilitate clearance on our Crandall Canyon shafts, which should be started this fall, if at all possible. We believe that these shafts could then be handled as a minor modification to an approved mining plan, since we are now submitting detailed plans and specs. for shafts indicated in our original submission.

Very truly yours,

PRICE RIVER COAL COMPANY



K. B. Hutchinson
Chief Engineer

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