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Mr. James W. Smith, Jr.
Coordinator of Mined Land Development
State of Utah
Department of Natural Resources
Division of Oil, Gas, and Mining
1588 West North Temple
Salt Lake City, Utah 84116

Re: Assembly Area and Helicopter Landing Pad
for Power Line Contractor

Dear Mr. Smith:

During a telephone conversation on July 10, 1981, I informed you of our need for an area to be used for materials and equipment storage, pole assembly, and for helicopter landing, pick-up and re-fueling. The site we wish to use is about five (5) acres of the area on Willow Creek affected by mining activities prior to 1977. Although we eventually intend to re-open the old Castle Gate No. 2 Mine as partial access to our eastern reserves, this intended temporary usage of the projected areas does not constitute that re-opening. The duration of our temporary need will parallel the time required by the contractor, Wasatch Electric, to complete the power line from Hardscrabble to Cranfall Canyon.

Berms and diversions will be constructed to control or contain drainage on and away from the intended area. The present surface of the area of intended use is sparsely revegetated with a combination of weeds and native plants. No original topsoil exists. We do not wish to disturb the surface vegetation any more than necessary so as to minimize dust during helicopter landing and take off. Any topsoil needed for reclamation at the area will be obtained at the time of reclamation.

I have enclosed four (4) maps and a color key to 1"=50' maps. I have delineated the area of intended use and shown the location of drainage control to be constructed. If any additional information is required, please notify me. Our power line contractor intends to commence activity by July 29, 1981. We will immediately begin to install the illustrated drainage controls so as to have them installed by that date, unless specifically prohibited from doing so.

Sincerely,

R. L. Wiley
Robert L. Wiley
Environmental Engineer

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cc: G. Cook, K. B. Hutchinson,
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