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Mr. Kenneth B. Hutchinson
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Dear Ken:

In regard to the surveys (Young 1980, Young 1981, Greenwood 1981) for avifauna and their high-priority habitats as discussed in 43 CFR 3461.1 (n-1) along the proposed electric transmission line between the Hardscrabble facilities and the Crandal Canyon facilities, the Division has determined the work to be satisfactory. It is the Division's opinion that the alignment of the transmission line and the construction of such (this year 1981) will not adversely impact any raptor nest or significantly impact any high-priority habitat of avifauna having high federal interest.

Thank you for an opportunity to review each of these surveys and provide comment.

Sincerely,

John Livesay, Supervisor
Southeastern Region

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