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Mr. Allen Vance  
Bureau of Land Management  
P. O. Drawer AB  
Price, UT 84501

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Dear Mr. Vance:

The attached submittal is a request by Price River Coal Company to make a minor modification to Permit No. UT-0007.

This request is for a change in the sequence of mining in the D Seam and the Sub 3 Seam. The change in sequence will involve suspending operations in the D Seam after presently developed longwall panels are retreated. The longwall would then resume operation in the Sub 3 Seam. The No. 5 Mine equipment will be recovered and the D Seam will be sealed. Access to the D Seam will continue to be provided from the Crandall Canyon Shafts. This revision to the sequence presently shows no problems with adverse interaction between overlying seams. There is no change in the recovery plans and they will be followed as submitted.

These changes are a result of encountering an area of split coal to the north and west of 12th West and also in the 7th East area reducing the size and number of planned longwall panels. The reduction of these panels left the area around and to the north of the Crandall Canyon shafts underdeveloped to continue longwall operations in the No. 5 Mine once the existing panels were retreated. This situation has led us to the decision to initiate a change of sequence.

The enclosed maps illustrate the areas to be mined in the D Seam (No. 5 Mine) prior to suspending operation. The longwall will retreat the 11th West panel and the 12th West panel before being moved to the Sub 3 Seam (No. 3 Mine). The 7th East area will be removed by means of a continuous miner. Operations in the D Seam should require nine-twelve months to complete once mining is resumed. The longwall will then be moved to the 8th East panel in the Sub 3 Seam (No. 3 Mine). The No. 3 Mine will operate under the projected mine plan for the Sub 3 Seam shown on Exhibit 3-9 of the Mining and Reclamation Plan Maps Supplement.

Very truly yours,

PRICE RIVER COAL COMPANY

*Handwritten signature:* Kenneth B. Hutchinson

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Chief Engineer

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