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Re: "Hydro-mulching"

Dear Mr. Kunzler:

DIVISION OF OIL
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Price River Coal intends to add the re-vegetation technique "Hydro-mulching" to its reclamation plan. This, as you know, is an accepted method. PRCC's present reclamation plans do not preclude its use; in fact mentions the use of tackifiers as over sprays for straw mulch on steep slopes. PRCC has used such products on several interim reclamation projects, although never as the primary mulch.

The use of this method will not result in any changes to approved seeding lists, planting lists or soil amendment application rates.

The procedure intended will be to apply the designated seed mix with about 40 lbs/acre of a product like "Terra-Tack II" and follow with an over spray of 2,000 - 2,500 pounds of mulch with 80 pounds of tackifier per acre. Fertilizer will be included in the over spray step.

PRCC plans to use "Hydro-mulching" this year on the limited access, steep slopes of the Schoolhouse Canyon refuse pile.

Please contact me if you have any further questions.

Very truly yours,

PRICE RIVER COAL COMPANY

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Environmental Engineer

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