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Dear Dr. Nielson:

**DIVISION OF
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In response to a letter dated June 3, 1987, from D. Wayne Hedberg, requesting comments by the Albuquerque Field Office (AFO) on an amendment to the permit of Castle Gate Coal Company's Price River Complex, the AFO has no substantial comments concerning the proposed abandonment of coal reserves in the 12th west longwall panel due to safety concerns.

Thank you for the chance to review the amendment prior to its approval by your Division.

Sincerely,

Robert H. Hagen, Director
Albuquerque Field Office