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TO: File

FROM: David W. Darby, Geologist *DWD*

RE: Amendment, Minor Design Change for Ponds 004, 007 and 008,
Castle Gate Coal Company, Price River Complex,
ACT/007/004-87D, Carbon County, Utah, Folder #2.

Synopsis

In a letter dated September 23, 1987, Richard Allison, Engineer from Castle Gate Coal Company (CGCC), submitted calculations for ponds 004 and 007. These plans were conditionally approved on October 22, 1987 with an agreement that finalized copies would be formatted and included in the mid-term permit review submittal.

Summary of Permit Review

Castle Gate Coal Company submitted an updated copy of their Mining and Reclamation Plan for their mid-term permit review on April 28, 1988. As-built designs for ponds 004, 007 and 008 were included in the resubmittal. Two deficiency reviews have been conducted on the resubmitted Mining and Reclamation Plan. Corrections have been included in the plans for the ponds and the operator has committed to submitting all finalized copies of the plans when the plan is approved. Disagreements over deficiencies still exist in other areas of the permit. It is likely that the five year permit review will become due before these disagreements are resolved.

Conclusion

I recommend that the condition outlined in Amendment 007/004/87D (for submittal of the fourteen copies) be approved at this time, since this information has now been included in the MRP. Submittal of the 14 copies, for distribution, will be automatic when the plan is completely approved.

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