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June 26, 1991

Mr. James W. Buck, P.E.
Amax Coal Company
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Dear Mr. Buck:

Re: NOV Extension, Amax Coal Company, Castle Gate Mine,
ACT/007/004, Folder #5, Carbon County, Utah

The Division received your request for an extension of time to complete the abatement of NOV N90-18-2-1 on June 21, 1991. Amax has submitted much of the information required to abate this NOV and it is felt that an extension can be justified due to the fact that this NOV requires the altering of sediment ponds, with prior approval by other state agencies (Health and Water Rights).

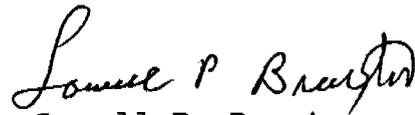
Abatement plans submitted on February 27, 1991, have been reviewed. Many of the problems associated with the NOV have been corrected through close correlation between Amax and the Division, however, certain problems still exist. A deficiency letter was sent to you on June 14, 1991 indicating those problems. That letter also requested additional copies of your abatement plan for other agency review. Please make sure these copies are sent as quickly as possible.

Enclosed please find an extension granting approximately 60 additional days to complete the abatement requirements. Bear in mind that your abatement plans must not only be approved but also field implemented (completion of construction) by August 30, 1991.

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If you have any questions regarding this NOV please call.

Sincerely,



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Associate Director, Mining

Enclosure

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