

AMAX COAL COMPANY

A Subsidiary of AMAX Coal Industries, Inc.

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April 21, 1992

Ms. Dianne R. Nielson, Director
Division of Oil, Gas & Mining
Department of Natural Resources, State of Utah
355 West North Temple
3 Triad Center, Suite 3450
Salt Lake City, Utah 84180-1203

Re: Request for Informal Conference for
State Violation No. 92-39-2-1; Fact of
Violation.

Dear Ms. Nielsen:

Pursuant to Coal Mining Rule R645-400-350 et. seq., AMAX Coal Company (AMAX) requests an Informal Conference to review the fact of violation under Notice of Violation No. 92-39-2-1. This NOV was issued to AMAX subsidiary Castle Gate Coal Company.

AMAX understands that this Notice of Violation is one which will require cessation of mining, expressly or by implication, unless an informal public hearing is held within thirty (30) days after its service. Therefore, AMAX requests that any hearing (conference) held in this manner be held at the Castle Gate Coal Company mine site so that the subject of violation may be viewed during the hearing.

The proposed assessment for this violation has not yet been received by AMAX as of April 21, 1992.

Sincerely,

Steven R. Laird

cc: Richard Allison
Joseph Helfrich

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