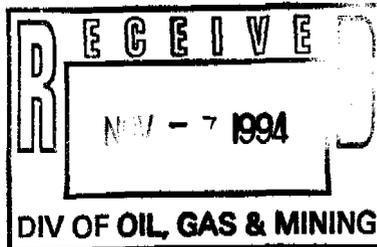




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Re: Amax Coal Company
 Castle Gate Mine
 NOV N94-41-3-1

Dear Mr. Haddock:

*Do this as precedent? ACT/0071004 #5 : #2
 Copy to Paul, Paul*

After reviewing your correspondence dated October 28, 1994 I discussed the two listed deficiencies with Paul Baker and Steve Johnson. As discussed, we propose to revise Paragraph 3 on Page 3.4-7 of the permit as follows:

"As referred to in Appendix 3.4.A, 5.3.4 Outlet, Diversion CGD-5 has been designed and constructed to route flow around the Schoolhouse Refuse Fill as required by state and federal regulations. The discharge point has been located to route flow into an existing gully to minimize erosion and environmental disturbance in Barn Canyon. The outlet and gully will be visually monitored quarterly and after significant precipitation events to evaluate the condition of the diversion and gully. Field observations will be recorded and maintained. If excessive erosion (determined on a case by case basis) occurs, vegetation, riprap, erosion netting or other methods will be implemented to provide channel protection."

The technique for monitoring erosion will be visual observation supplemented by field measurements as necessary. Evaluations of erosion will be based on comparisons of the records. The last sentence has been revised to enforce our commitment and, as Mr. Baker is aware, we have committed to channel protection.

We hope these revisions are satisfactory. If you have further comments, please contact me.

Respectfully,

Lonnie Mills,
 Sr. Environmental Engineer