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Johnny Pappas, Environmental Engineer  
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Re: Sowbelly As-Built, Amax Coal Holding Company, Castle Gate Mine, ACT/007/004-96D, Folders #2 and #3, Carbon County, Utah

Dear Mr. Pappas:

The Division has reviewed the revisions to amendment 96D of the Castle Gate mining and reclamation plan which you submitted on August 20, 1996. The Division previously approved amendment 96D, as-builts for the Sowbelly Gulch reclamation, but there were a few minor problems that needed to be corrected.

The changes to the as-built designs and drawings are hereby approved effective September 10, 1996. Enclosed is a revised technical analysis that includes the most recent changes. This analysis discusses the requirements for a bond release application. We encourage you to submit a formal bond release application as soon as possible so Amax and the Division can make appropriate notices to government agencies and to the public before weather makes a bond release inspection impossible.

Please call if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Paul B. Baker  
Reclamation Biologist

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Enclosure

cc: Mark Page, Water Rights, Price (w/o enclosure)  
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