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TO: Internal Files
FROM: Karl R. Houskeeper, Reclamation Specialist II *Sm for KRH*
RE: Transfer of Power Lines from the Castle Gate Permit to the Willow Creek Permit, Castle Gate Holding Company, Castle Gate Mine, C/007/004-AM01E-1

SUMMARY:

On August 20, 2001, amendment (AM01E) submitted by Castle Gate Holding Company relative to the Transfer of Power Lines from the Castle Gate Permit to the Willow Creek Permit was declined. Subsequently, (AM01E-1) was submitted on September 4, 2001 to address the deficiencies of (AM01E). Amendment (AM01E-1) retracted all information pertaining to the substations at Sowbelly and Hardscrabble since that project has been postponed. While reviewing (AM01E-1) it was noted that pagination errors still existed on page 3.3-40. This matter was reviewed with the Permit Supervisor. It was decided that an addendum to this amendment was allowed. The operator was notified and an addendum was received on September 6, 2001. With the addendum in place (AM01E-1) met all the deficiencies listed in (AM01E).

Amendment (AM01E & AM01E-1) was submitted in conjunction with amendment (C/007/038-AM01D & C/007/038-AM01D-1) that is addressed separately. Amendment (C/007/038-AM01D & C/007/038-AM01D-1) addresses the addition of the existing Power Lines into the Willow Creek Permit.

TECHNICAL ANALYSIS:

GENERAL CONTENTS

PERMIT APPLICATION FORMAT AND CONTENTS

Regulatory Reference: 30 CFR 777.11; R645-301-120.

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Analysis:

Amendment (AM01E-1) was submitted on September 4, 2001 to address the deficiencies contained in (AM01E). Amendment (AM01E-1) retracted all information pertaining to the substations at Sowbelly and Hardscrabble since that project has been postponed. Amendment (AM01E-1) contained pagination errors on page 3.3-40. This matter was reviewed with the Permit Supervisor. It was decided that an addendum to this amendment would be allowed. The operator was notified and an addendum was received from the operator on September 6, 2001.

Findings:

With the addendum to (AM01E-1) in place, all of the criteria outlined above have been completed.

ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCE INFORMATION

MAPS, PLANS, AND CROSS SECTIONS OF RESOURCE INFORMATION

Regulatory Reference: 30 CFR 783.24, 783.25; R645-301-323, -301-411, -301-521, -301-622, -301-722, -301-731.

Analysis:

Existing Structures and Facilities Maps

Amendment (AM01E) outlined a deficiency; "Exhibit 3-22 Affected Surface Areas and Utilities map should indicate the transfer of the Power Lines to Willow Creek (C/007/038)." Amendment (AM01E-1) contains Exhibit 3-22 Affected Surface Areas and Utilities map.

Findings:

Exhibit 3-22 Affected Surface Areas and Utilities map is modified to indicate the transfer of existing Power Lines to Willow Creek (C/007/038).

RECOMMENDATIONS:

(AM01E-1) addresses the deficiencies listed in (AM01E). The submitted pages address these concerns in the Castle Gate Holding Company MRP. It is recommended that (AM01E-1) be approved with condition upon approval of Willow Creek's amendment AM01D-1.