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Mr. Lowell P. Braxton
Mined Land Reclamation Administration
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Dear Lowell:

During this past weekend, we experienced a pump failure on our mine water discharge. I called you today to discuss the problem and received permission from you to stop the strip chart recorder and determine exactly how long the pump had been off.

I examined the chart on the recorder and found that the pump had shut off at approximately 5:40 P.M. last Thursday and did not start up again until 6:35 A.M. Monday morning. The pump worked until 8:15 Tuesday morning and was off until 11:30 this morning. During this period of time, we have accumulated water in the mine to the point that we have had to increase our pumping capacity which will exceed the approved discharge volumes for our sedimentation pond.

We started pumping the increased volume at 11:30 A.M., September 24, 1985 at the rate of 290 gpm. We expect to continue this discharge for the next 24 hours and anticipate stopping at noon September 25, 1985. During this time, we will have discharged an estimated 415,000 gallons of water.

We have taken a sample as close to the start of the extra discharge as possible for TSS, oil and grease and SS. We will take this sample again at approximately 8:30 A.M. on the 25th and again at the end of the increased discharge period. If the SS exceeds limitations, we will stop the decant into the creek and will haul the extra water to the sedimentation pond at the loadout as instructed by Rick Summers. If it becomes necessary for the discharge to continue beyond noon on the 25th, we will call your office to request approval.

Sincerely,

Keith W. Zobell
Environmental Engineer

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