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Mr. Harold Thompson
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
Water Management Division (8WM-C)
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Dear Mr. Thompson:

In accordance with the conditions of NPDES Discharge Permit UT-0023540, Part II - A-2 and Utah Mining Code Section 817.52(b)(i)(ii), Utah Fuel Company is herewith providing the required written notification of a failure to comply with the maximum effluent limitation for total dissolved solids at the 001 discharge point.

The problem occurred with the sample taken November 6, 1987 which had a TDS concentration of 760 mg/l. The TDS limitation for this discharge is 700 mg/l. This is the second time that this discharge has exceeded the TDS limitation. The previous problem occurred with a sample taken August 20, 1987.

The cause of the high TDS concentration is still being investigated. Fluctuations in water quality are routinely experienced and are a normal part of the mining process. Based on this understanding, an increase in the TDS limitation has been requested to cover these excursions. Action on this request is pending.

Sincerely,

Keith W. Welch

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