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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 August 2, 1989 which had a TDS concentration of 723 mg/l. The TDS limitation for this discharge is 700 mg/l. Previous TDS problems have occurred with samples taken August 20, 1987, November 6, 1987, November 18, 1987, December 2, 1987, January 13, 1988, January 29, 1988, March 23, 1988, April 27, 1988, May 4, 1988, June 28, 1988, September 19, 1988, November 18, 1988, December 6, 1988, January 12, 1989, January 25, 1989, February 8, 1989, February 27, 1989, March 14, 1989, March 21, 1989, April 5, 1989, April 18, 1989, June 13, 1989, and July 17, 1989.

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 EPA approval.

Sincerely,

*Keith W. Welch*

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Environmental Coordinator

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