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RE: Response to Conditional Approval of Loadout Expansion, Coastal States Energy Company, Skyline Mines, Folder #2, ACT/007/005, Carbon County, Utah

On June 21, 1993, the Division gave partial approval to the expansion of Skyline's loadout facility into the riparian area adjacent to Eccles Creek. On December 21, 1993, the Division received a response to the deficiencies noted in the review of the original proposal. Deficiencies outlined in my June 3, 1993, memorandum were:

1. Skyline should commit to observe the success of the habitat enhancement effort at the end of the first or during the second growing season and to plant additional willows if necessary to achieve the desired enhancement.
2. Discrepancies in topsoil volumes noted in this review need to be corrected.

The proposed changes to the plan include a commitment to inspect the 500 willow cuttings which were planted along Eccles Creek to determine the survival rate. Additional willows will be planted if survival is below 80%. This commitment satisfies the concerns expressed in the memorandum and deficiency.

Soil volumes contained in Table 4.6-4 on pages 4-38(c) and (d) have been corrected.

These portions of the revised plan should be approved.

