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7 July 2000

Mr. Don Ostler, Director
 Division of Water Quality
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 State of Utah
 Salt Lake City, Utah 84114-4870

Re: UPDES Permit UT-0023540

Dear Mr. Ostler:

Canyon Fuel Company, LLC, Skyline Mines is providing the required written notification of a failure to comply with the maximum thirty-day average limitation for total suspended solids according to UPDES Discharge Permit UT-0023540, Part II, Section D, Subpart 1 and Utah Coal Mining Rules R645-301-731.223. The failure occurred at discharge point 001.

Five samples were taken during the month. Two of the samples were taken during storm event runoff and settleable solids was used instead of suspended solids. The amount of settleable solids for these two samples were <0.4 mg/l which is within the allowable amount. Removal of these two samples left only three samples to be used to determine the thirty-day average. The first sample was taken on 4 May 2000, had a total suspended solid amount of 26 mg/l. The second sample was taken 9 May 2000, had a total suspended solid amount of 36 mg/l. The third sample was taken on 18 May 2000, had a total suspended solid amount of 24 mg/l. The average for the three samples is 28.67 mg/l. 29 mg/l was reported on the Discharge Monitoring Report. The 29 mg/l exceeds the maximum thirty-day average of 25 mg/l.

The laboratory report for 18 May 2000 was received on 5 July 2000.

Sincerely,

Gary E. Taylor

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 Sr. Environmental Engineer
 Canyon Fuel Company, LLC

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