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August 17, 2000

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RE: Incidental Boundary Change to the Skyline Mines M&RP to Include the Connelville Development Tract (Interim), Emery County, Utah, Permit ACT/007/005.

Dear Daron:

Please find enclosed with this letter seven copies of a permit modification application to the Skyline Mines Mining and Reclamation Plan. These copies include 7 clean copies and 3 redline/strike through copies of modified text. This application consists of an incidental boundary change (IBC) request which will incorporate coal leased from Utah Power and Light (UP&L) into the Skyline Mines existing permit boundary. The IBC requested covers 27.9 acres and has been titled "Connelville Development Tract (Interim)". This request for additional permit acreage is needed since longwall development has shown the Connelville Fault, which forms the eastern boundary of the existing Skyline Mines permit area, is located farther to the east than originally thought. This has allowed Skyline to extend longwall panel development farther south toward, and soon, into the UP&L tract. This southern IBC extension will allow the mine to possibly recover in the near future 250,000 tons of coal previously thought to have been lost to faulting.

Current development mining at Skyline has progressed more quickly than originally anticipated. Therefore, it is possible development mining will occur in the Connelville Development Tract, which is part of the UP&L Tract, as soon as August 25, 2000. The development mining on the Connelville Development Tract will be limited to extending the 8 Left entries and creating the set-up room for the 7 Left longwall panel. This application is for an extension of the existing permit to allow only development mining and the mine does not anticipate subsidence will occur within this tract until December 2000. At that time CFC anticipates the entire UP&L tract, which was submitted as a permit modification in July 2000, will have been approved for mining by the Division.

*Development mining within the Connelville Development Tract should not result in subsidence of the surface and no impacts are anticipated to surface water flows, vegetation, wildlife, cultural resources, or land use.* Therefore, it has been assumed the information included in the appropriate sections of the existing permit which

deal with these issues are adequate and have not been modified as part of this submittal. Information submitted with this modification application includes a description of the boundary of the Connelville Development Tract, a surface land ownership map, a projected mining sequence map, water rights map, a map illustrating the mine water monitoring station locations, and information regarding water sampling requirements. Additionally, a copy of the seep and spring baseline inventory map of the Flat Canyon Tract and UP&L tract has been included.

Please be aware this modification will be superseded when the UP&L tract is approved in its entirety. It is assumed that most of the pages and maps in this submittal will become obsolete at that time.

Your prompt attention to this matter and your willingness to work with us through this difficult time is greatly appreciated. If you have any questions regarding this information, please give me a call.

Sincerely,



Chris D. Hansen  
Environmental Coordinator  
Canyon Fuel Company, LLC

enclosures

cc: Mike Suflita, DOGM

# APPLICATION FOR PERMIT PROCESSING

Permit Change <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	New Permit <input type="checkbox"/>	Renewal <input type="checkbox"/>	Transfer <input type="checkbox"/>	Exploration <input type="checkbox"/>	Bond Release <input type="checkbox"/>	Permit Number: ACT/007/005
Title of Proposal: Connelville Development Tract (Interim)						Mine: Skyline Mines
						Permittee: CANYON FUEL CO., LLC

Description, include reason for application and timing required to implement: Application to add 27.9 acres of coal leased from UP&L. Development mining is anticipated to begin 8-25-00.

**Instructions:** If you answer yes to any of the first 8 questions (gray), submit the application to the Salt Lake Office. Otherwise, you may submit it to your reclamation specialist.

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	1. Change in the size of the Permit Area? 27.9 acres Disturbed Area? 0 acres <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> increase <input type="checkbox"/> decrease.
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	2. Is the application submitted as a result of a Division Order? DO #
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	3. Does application include operations outside a previously identified Cumulative Hydrologic Impact Area?
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	4. Does application include operations in hydrologic basins other than as currently approved?
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	5. Does application result from cancellation, reduction or increase of insurance or reclamation bond?
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	6. Does the application require or include public notice/publication?
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	7. Does the application require or include ownership, control, right-of-entry, or compliance information?
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	8. Is proposed activity within 100 feet of a public road or cemetery or 300 feet of an occupied dwelling?
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	9. Is the application submitted as a result of a Violation? NOV #
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	10. Is the application submitted as a result of other laws or regulations or policies? Explain:
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	11. Does the application affect the surface landowner or change the post mining land use?
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	12. Does the application require or include underground design or mine sequence and timing? (Modification of R2P2?)
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	13. Does the application require or include collection and reporting of any baseline information?
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	14. Could the application have any effect on wildlife or vegetation outside the current disturbed area?
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	15. Does application require or include soil removal, storage or placement?
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	16. Does the application require or include vegetation monitoring, removal or revegetation activities?
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	17. Does the application require or include construction, modification, or removal of surface facilities?
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	18. Does the application require or include water monitoring, sediment or drainage control measures?
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	19. Does the application require or include certified designs, maps, or calculations?
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	20. Does the application require or include subsidence control or monitoring?
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	21. Have reclamation costs for bonding been provided for?
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	22. Does application involve a perennial stream, a stream buffer zone or discharges to a stream?
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	23. Does the application affect permits issued by other agencies or permits issued to other entities?

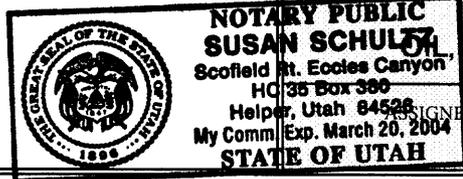
Attach 7 complete copies of the application.

I hereby certify that I am a responsible official of the applicant and that the information contained in this application is true and correct to the best of my information and belief in all respects with the laws of Utah in reference to commitments, undertakings, and obligations, herein. (R645-301-123)

[Signature] Mine Manager 8-16-00  
Signed - Name - Position - Date

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 16 day of Aug, 2000

[Signature]  
Notary Public  
My Commission Expires: 3-20-2004, 19    
Attest: STATE OF    COUNTY OF   



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## Application for Permit Processing Detailed Schedule of Changes to the MRP

Title of Application: Connelville Development Tract (Interim)

Permit Number: ACT/007/005

Mine: Skyline Mines

Permittee: CANYON FUEL CO., LLC

Provide a detailed listing of all changes to the mining and reclamation plan which will be required as a result of this proposed permit application. Individually list all maps and drawings which are to be added, replaced, or removed from the plan. Include changes of the table of contents, section of the plan, pages, or other information as needed to specifically locate, identify and revise the existing mining and reclamation plan. **Include page, section and drawing numbers as part of the description.**

	DESCRIPTION OF MAP, TEXT, OR MATERIALS TO BE CHANGED		
<input type="checkbox"/> ADD	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> REPLACE	<input type="checkbox"/> REMOVE	Replace page 1-37
<input type="checkbox"/> ADD	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> REPLACE	<input type="checkbox"/> REMOVE	Replace page 2-24(a)
<input type="checkbox"/> ADD	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> REPLACE	<input type="checkbox"/> REMOVE	Replace page 2-32
<input type="checkbox"/> ADD	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> REPLACE	<input type="checkbox"/> REMOVE	Replace page 2-34
<input type="checkbox"/> ADD	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> REPLACE	<input type="checkbox"/> REMOVE	Replace pages 2- 36 through 2-39
<input type="checkbox"/> ADD	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> REPLACE	<input type="checkbox"/> REMOVE	Replace pages 2-101 and 2-102
<input type="checkbox"/> ADD	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> REPLACE	<input type="checkbox"/> REMOVE	Replace Drawing 1.6-1 "Land Ownership"
<input type="checkbox"/> ADD	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> REPLACE	<input type="checkbox"/> REMOVE	Replace Drawing 1.6-2 "Coal Ownership"
<input type="checkbox"/> ADD	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> REPLACE	<input type="checkbox"/> REMOVE	Replace Drawing 2.3.5.1-1 "Surface Water Rights on and Adjacent to the Skyline Property"
<input type="checkbox"/> ADD	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> REPLACE	<input type="checkbox"/> REMOVE	Replace Drawing 2.3.5.2-1 "Groundwater Rights on and Adjacent to the Skyline Property"
<input type="checkbox"/> ADD	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> REPLACE	<input type="checkbox"/> REMOVE	Replace Drawing 2.3.6-1 "Location of Hydrologic Monitoring Stations"
<input type="checkbox"/> ADD	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> REPLACE	<input type="checkbox"/> REMOVE	Replace Drawing 3.1.8-3 "Mine 3 Level 2 Skyline Mine Preliminary Mine Plan"
<input type="checkbox"/> ADD	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> REPLACE	<input type="checkbox"/> REMOVE	Add to Volume A-1, "West Tract (Flat Canyon) Spring and Seep Inventory, Fall 1997"
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Any other specific or special instructions required for insertion of this proposal into the Mining and Reclamation Plan?