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DIVISION OF  
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RE: Burial of Powerline, Canyon Fuel Company, LLC, Skyline Mine, C/007/005-IB011

Dear Mary Ann:

We have reviewed Canyon Fuel's Mine Plan Amendment for the buried powerline in James Canyon that will provide electricity to run water pumps at their water wells.

We hereby consent to approval of the amendment for that portion of the project that lies within the current mine permit area subject to the following conditions:

- A typical detail showing the location of the powerline, depth of burial, and trench relative to the road prism must be provided. Equipment to be used and plan for protecting the topsoil berm on the outer edge of the road must be submitted and approved prior to starting the project.
- Materials excavated for ditch construction must remain separated from the road gravels and topsoil berm. Separation can be achieved by placing materials onto a geotextile or other approved material placed over the roadbed adjacent to the ditch and/or along the topsoil berm. Contaminated and/or lost road gravels will be removed/replaced with crushed aggregate meeting Forest Service gradation "G" road gravels.
- Backfill materials placed in the powerline ditch must be compacted to 95% Standard Proctor.
- The ditch slopes and road cutslope must be replaced to original or flatter slopes following powerline installation and backfilling.
- All road drainage structures, including dips and culverts (inlet, outlet, and pipes) must be returned to original condition if damaged.
- All sediment control structures such as berms, ditches, and silt fences must be repaired/replaced immediately if damaged by operations.
- Seeding of the topsoil berm and cutslope of the road must take place prior to winter conditions in accordance with a seed mix approved by the Forest Service and Division of Oil, Gas and Mining.



The Forest Service is in the process of issuing a special-use permit to Canyon Fuel for installation of the powerline from the private land at the communications site to the mine permit boundary via the Monument Peak Road (Forest Road 50018) and upper portion of the James Canyon project road on National Forest System lands outside of the current mine permit area. Installation and operation of the powerline along the Monument Peak Road is subject to the terms and conditions of the special-use permit which differ from those for the James Canyon project area (copy enclosed).

If you have any questions, contact Carter Reed or Aaron Howe at the Forest Supervisor's Office in Price, Utah.

Sincerely,



ELAINE J. ZIEROTH  
Forest Supervisor

Enclosure

cc:  
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Dick Manus, BLM Price Field Office  
(w/o enclosures)

Authorization ID: PRI25  
Contact ID: CANYON FUEL  
Expiration Date: 12/31/2005  
Use Code: 643

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**U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE**  
**Forest Service**  
**SPECIAL USE PERMIT**  
**AUTHORITY:**  
**FEDERAL LAND POLICY AND MGMT ACT, AS AMENDED October 21, 1976**

CANYON FUEL COMPANY, LLC of SKYLINE MINE, HC 35 BOX 380 , HELPER, UT 84526 (hereinafter called the Holder) is hereby authorized to use or occupy National Forest System lands, to use subject to the conditions set out below, on the Manti-La Sal National Forest.

This permit covers .2 acres, and/or 0 miles and is described as: as shown on the location map attached to and made a part of this permit, and is issued for the purpose of:

Bury a 15KVA powerline along the Monument Peak Road (Forest System Road 50018) and the James Canyon Project Road to provide power to operate an electric pump at the drill pad in James Canyon above Electric Lake. Four ¾ inch diameter insulated lines will be buried 4 feet deep along the inside ditches of both roads (see maps and typicals in the special-use permit application). Power will be provided to the electric pump that is used to pump groundwater to the surface and discharged down James Canyon by gravity to Electric Lake via a water pipeline. The buried line originates at the electronic site on private lands on Trough Springs at the head of Boardinghouse Canyon and ends at Canyon Fuel's water well site in James Canyon.

This permit is for only that portion of the line from the private land to a point in James Canyon where the buried powerline enters to the leased coal lands in the Skyline Mine Permit Area (See Drawing No. 1.6-3, dated 9/24/2001) in the application amendment of 9/28/2001. The remainder of the buried powerline from this point to the water well was authorized under Canyon Fuel Company's approved Mining and Reclamation Plan. That portion of the buried power line authorized by this SUP starts in the SW1/4 of Section 25 and ends in the NW1/4 of Section 36 in T.13 S., R. 6 E., SLM, Emery County, Utah, an approximate lineal length of 2,300 feet.

**ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS**

- No construction operations will be allowed along the Monument Peak Road until after Questar has completed water haul necessary for the pipeline hydrostatic test and during the opening weekend of the rifle Deer Hunt starting on Friday October 19 and ending a daylight on Monday October 22.
- Traffic must be allowed to pass during installation of the buried powerline along the Monument Peak Road. Traffic delays are allowed for periods not to exceed 20 minutes.
- Materials excavated for ditch construction must be confined to the immediate area adjacent to the ditch such that through traffic is not obstructed.
- Excavated materials must remain separated from the road gravels. Separation can be achieved by placing these materials onto a geotextile or other approved material placed over the roadbed adjacent to the ditch. Contaminated and/or lost road gravels will be removed/replaced with crushed aggregate meeting Forest Service gradation "G" road gravels.
- Backfill materials placed in the powerline ditch must be compacted to 100% Standard Proctor.
- Restore the original contour of the inside ditch and road cutslope above the ditch with materials compacted to at least 95% Standard Proctor. Any disturbed areas outside of the roadbed must be revegetated with original species composition and density within 3 years of construction.
- Permittee must provide an operating plan that addresses traffic control, sediment control, and revegetation of disturbed areas throughout the project area. These plans are subject to Forest Service approval prior to implementation.
- All road drainage structures, including dips and culverts (inlet, outlet, and pipes) must be returned to original condition if damaged.
- Ground sleeves (junction boxes) will not be permitted along the Monument Peak Road.