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3482 UTU-67939  
(UT-070)

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Canyon Fuel Company, LLC  
c/o Ark Land Company  
Attn: Mark Bunnell  
HC35, Box 380  
Helper, Utah 84526

Re: Approval of Minor Coal Exploration Plan, Winter Quarters Federal Coal Lease UTU-67939,  
Carbon County, Utah

Dear Mr. Bunnell:

On October 12, 2007, BLM received a plan to conduct coal exploration on the Winter Quarters Federal Coal Lease UTU-67939. Ark Land Company, a subsidiary of Arch Coal, Inc., proposed to drill six exploration holes on lease in Winter Quarters Canyon, to further evaluate the coal reserves in this area. Primary access to the exploration site will be by Forest System roads.

National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) analysis found no issues that could not be mitigated. The Manti National Forest has concurred to approval of this plan.

The Bureau of Land Management approves the requested exploration plan for UTU-67939 subject to the terms and conditions of the lease and the special stipulations attached.

This decision may be appealed to the Interior Board of Lands Appeals (IBLA), Office of the Secretary, in accordance with the regulations contained in 43 CFR Part 4, and the enclosed Form 1842-1. If an appeal is taken, your notice of appeal must be filed in this office (at the above address) within 30 days from the receipt of this decision. The appellant has the burden of showing that the decision appealed from is in error.

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If you have any questions regarding this issue, please contact Sue Wiler at 435-636-3651.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Steve Bly". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized "B" and "L".

for Michael Stiewig  
Field Manager

Enclosures

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