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Ms. Lori Hunsaker
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300 S. Rio Grande Street
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Subject: Cultural Resource Inventory of the Proposed Winter Quarters Ventilation Facility, Skyline Mine, Carbon County, Utah.

Dear Lori:

Please find enclosed documents Earth Touch Cultural Resource Report No. 09-1. This report is being submitted in support of the Divisions's U.C.A. §9-8-404 consultation requirements for the proposed undertaking.

The survey included a Class III inventory of the Winter Quarters Townsite, (site 42CB268) which extends over a 1.5 mile stretch in Winter Quarters Canyon. Winter Quarters Canyon is located two miles west of Scofield, Utah. The company proposes to construct the ventilation facility in the summer of 2010 with Division approval. The facility disturbance area includes a 3.5-acre area at the westernmost edge of the townsite and a 530 ft stretch of road that will be re-routed.

The Winter Quarters Townsite, 42CB268 is considered eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places. The Division finds that the undertaking will have an adverse effect on a portion of the Townsite including three foundation features, remains of an earthen reservoir, and one leveled use area. Earthtouch recommended mitigative work including historical research related to the Winter Quarters Finnish and Greeks, and test excavation of the features to be affected.

Please provide concurrence with the Division's finding of adverse effect. This facility will not be recommended for approval until a mitigation plan has been developed and approved by the Division and SHPO. Please provide any suggestions for mitigation projects that could be implemented by the company prior to the facility development.

Thank you for your comments on this case. Should you have any further questions, please contact Ingrid Wieser at 801-538-5318 or Daron Haddock at 801-538-5325.

Sincerely,

Daron Haddock
Permit Supervisor

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