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Re: PacifiCorp Letter to DOGM Dated 2/7/2017 - Skyline Mine Flat Canyon Lease Addition

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Tue, Feb 7, 2017 at 4:58 PM

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Hi Scott and Dana,

Unfortunately, it is too late for further comments to be considered as part of our permitting process regarding the Flat Canyon Tract, we intend to issue a permit in the next couple of days, as we are satisfied that the rules have been met and this project is ready to move forward.

The public process started last year with public newspaper notice and RDCC notice. We received comment only from the Huntington-Cleveland Irrigation Company, through their attorney J. Craig Smith. Part of his comment was to request a public hearing. A public hearing was held on July 28, 2016 in Price, at which Cody Allred represented PacifiCorp/Rocky Mountain Power.

As a result of the public hearing, we contracted Loughlin and Associates to revisit some of the reports surrounding the Electric Lake/Skyline mine inflow issue that arose over 10 years ago and to help us determine whether there was any effect to Electric Lake from previous mining. **The report clearly stated that there was no connection between previous mine inflows and Electric Lake.** Since the report became available to us, we have worked with Skyline to amend the Flat Canyon application to address some of the other concerns brought up in the report. A record of the changes and a reply to the report from Skyline are available on our website. We are satisfied that the requirements for a permit have been met and that we have adequately addressed the pertinent public comments.

The meeting mentioned in the Loughlin report was set-up directly by Loughlin through Mr. Smith. We were told that Mr. Allred and other water users had been invited, but were unable to attend.

Of course, we want all of our constituents to be aware of why we are moving forward and we would be glad to meet with you, but the key staff needed for that meeting are not available until February 21. Please let me know if that date works for your team and what time would be best here in Salt Lake. We are currently trying to arrange a meeting of the same type with Huntington Cleveland on the 23rd in Castle Dale.

I hope that we can resolve your concerns through this meeting, it has never been our intention to leave anyone out of our process. I look forward to meeting and explaining how we resolved the issues brought up in the Loughlin report.

Thank you,
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Utah Division of Oil, Gas and Miningogm.utah.govLike us on Facebook! <https://www.facebook.com/utahoilgasandmining>On Tue, Feb 7, 2017 at 2:23 PM, Child, Scott <Scott.Child@pacificcorp.com> wrote:

Dana – Per our conversation this afternoon regarding the expansion of the Skyline Mine with the addition of the Flat Canyon Federal Coal Lease UTU-71144, attached is a PDF copy our letter dated February 7, 2017. The original is being sent to you by FedEx. Please feel free contact me should you have any questions. Meanwhile, we look forward to providing input from PacifiCorp.

Thanks,

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DIV. OF OIL, GAS & MINING

Re: Skyline Mine – Flat Canyon Lease Addition

Dear Ms. Dean:

The purpose of this letter is to inform the State of Utah's Division of Oil, Gas & Mining (the "Division") of PacifiCorp's request to be involved with the process regarding the Skyline Mine Flat Canyon Lease Addition (the "Lease Addition").

PacifiCorp desires to participate in the Division's Lease Addition review process, and would like to clarify that it does not recall being asked to be involved to date. The recent "Groundwater and Surface Water Hydrologic Review" prepared by Loughlin Water Associates dated December 19, 2016 (the "Loughlin Report") incorrectly states that PacifiCorp was previously invited to participate in this process. The Loughlin Report raises issues that PacifiCorp would like to discuss with the Division and the mine permittee. In addition, PacifiCorp further reserves the right to comment on appropriate documents and participating in any additional studies or monitoring.

All correspondence regarding this matter should be directed to:

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We welcome the opportunity to cooperate on this permitting endeavor where my team can provide input on behalf of PacifiCorp. Please feel free to contact me at 801-220-4017 or email me at Dana.Ralston@pacificorp.com.

Sincerely,

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