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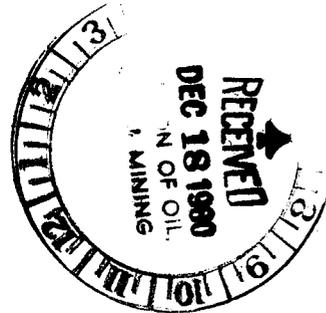
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John Nadolski, Hydrologist  
Office of Surface Mining  
Region V  
Brooks Towers  
1020 15th Street  
Denver, COLORADO 80202



RE: Seeley Canyon Breakouts

Dear Mr. Nadolski:

Attachment III to the letter given Plateau Mining Company at the October 2, 1980 on-site meeting addresses Plateau's proposed ventilation portals in Seeley Canyon. The portion pertaining to these portals reads as follows:

"The proposed modification to the Star Point No. 2 mine plan dated February 4, 1980 concerning break-out portals in Seeley Canyon is approved subject to the following stipulations developed by the Forest Service and the Office of Surface Mining:

1. Any surface disturbance which occurs as a result of the ventilation break-outs will be reclaimed subject to approval by the Office of Surface Mining.
2. A maximum of five ventilation breakouts are authorized by this mine addendum approval.
3. No drilling, roads, or other surface activities are authorized by this mine addendum approval.
4. All construction access to the proposed ventilation breakouts will be from within the mine.
5. No water, waste or trash will be allowed to be discharged from the ventilation breakout openings.
6. Each opening will be permanently closed as specified by Federal or State regulations.

7. Clearances for threatened and endangered species and cultural and historical resources, if required, will be obtained prior to construction of the breakouts."

Plateau Mining Company hereby accepts stipulations one through six as outlined above. In regards to stipulation number seven, Plateau is attaching a copy of the clearances required. These clearances consist of a report by the Archeological-Environmental Research Corporation containing information on historic and cultural aspects and a letter from Robert Shields dealing with endangered or threatened plant species. The letter also indicates that a raptor study will be made. This survey was completed on November 5, 1980 by Clark Johnson of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and the results should have been forwarded directly to you.

We therefore ask at this time that final approval be given to Plateau Mining Company to pursue its intentions of breaking outside in Seeley Canyon. Your immediate attention to this matter would be appreciated.

Sincerely,

PLATEAU MINING COMPANY

Steve Rigby  
Chief Engineer

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Enclosures

cc: Bill Boley - U.S.D.A. Forest Service, Price  
Jim Smith - D.O.G.M., S.L.C.  
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