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Mud Water Extension

Mr. Floyd J. Tucker  
Executive Vice President  
and General Manager  
UNC Plateau Mining  
P.O. Drawer PMC  
Price, Utah 84501

Dear Mr. Tucker:

This office has reviewed your letter of October 10, 1980 which includes schedule details, tonnage projections, and geographical projections for mining 250,000 tons of coal in Federal Lease U-37045. As we discussed in our October 2, 1980 meeting, this information was needed before I could consider an extension of underground workings.

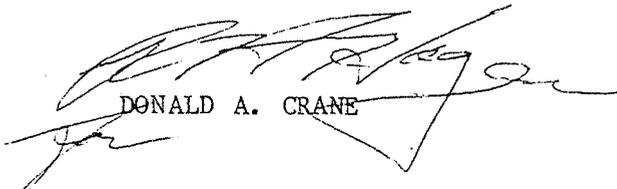
Based on our review as well as the review of the U.S. Geological Survey, I find that your responses are adequate to satisfy the requirements set forth in my March 12, 1980 letter and our October 2, 1980 meeting. The State Division of Oil, Gas, and Mining (DOG M) has been informally contacted, and they have no objections to this limited extension. The USDA Manti LaSal National Forest has reviewed the plan for the extension of underground workings and recommends approval with the addition of one stipulation. This stipulation requires that the permanent monument in Section 6 be relocated as soon as possible and that a new monument be established and appropriately tied into the existing subsidence monitoring system.

In light of the above, UNC may extend their mining into the shaded area of the attached map. This approval will allow UNC to mine in Section 6 until November 1, 1981, at which time a permanent program approval is needed.

This approval does not allow for any new surface disturbance. An additional condition to this approval is that your revised, comprehensive plan must be submitted on schedule (see attachment). It is my understanding that your staff and my staff have worked out a tentative time schedule for your response to our Apparent Completeness Review. This schedule will be circulated to the USGS, the USDA Manti LaSal National Forest, and the State DOGM to solicit their comments. If the finally agreed-to submission schedule is not met by UNC, this approval will be rescinded.

You can indicate acceptance of the conditions and stipulations attached to this approval by co-signature of this letter and returning it or by separate correspondence.

Sincerely,



DONALD A. CRANE

Attachments

- cc: Moffitt, USGS, SLC (with attachments)
- Trippe, USGS, Denver (with attachments)
- Christensen, USDA, FS, Price (with attachments)
- Smith, DOGM, SLC (with attachments) ✓

## MEMORANDUM

TO: John E. Hardaway, Chief, Technical Analysis and Research Division

THRU: Dan Kimball, Branch Chief, Earth Sciences and Geotechnics Branch

FROM: John A. Nadolski, Project Scientist, Starpoint Mine

SUBJECT: Starpoint Mine

On October 14, Dan Kimball and I met with persons from Getty Oil and Plateau Mining Company. The purpose of the meeting was to set up a schedule in order to have a Secretarial decision by November 1, 1980. The following is a schedule that was agreed upon:

Re-submission (latest date)	3/1/81
Re-review for completeness	4/3/81
Start TEA (Notice of Availability)	4/1/81
Finish TEA (send to Washington)	10/1/81
Notice of Availability of TEA	10/81
Secretarial Decision	11/1/81

This schedule will allow six months for a TEA to be completed. It is recognized that some vegetation and wildlife information will not meet the March 1 deadline because of restrictions on when data can be collected. We should be able to work that into the process.

bcc: OFC - UT 0018  
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 Kimball  
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Nadolski:lc 10/21/80

**FEDERAL LEASE  
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TEMPORARY LIMITS OF  
MINING BY O.S.M. ON  
MARCH 12, 1980

