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Mr. Robert Starr  
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RE: Plateau Mining Company  
Starpoint Mine  
ACT/007/006

Dear Mr. Starr:

Thank you for your letter of review of the Plateau Mining Company revegetation test plot plans.

To set the record straight, the plots were required by an Interim Order of the Board of Oil, Gas and Mining issued in June, 1979. The plots were required of Plateau Mining company to show how well steep, side-cast slopes could be revegetated.

This Division had numerous comments concerning the plan. Unfortunately, the plan was submitted to us only six days prior to the plan's field implementation. However, we will gladly pass your comments on to Plateau Mining Company so they can discuss them with Native Plants, Inc, the consultant in this situation.

Thank you for your input.

Sincerely,

MARY ANN WRIGHT  
RECLAMATION BIOLOGIST

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