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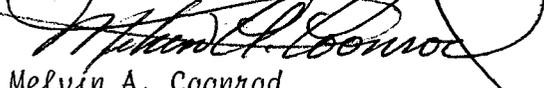
Dear Mr. Portle:

Reference to phone conversation of 06/19/81; as per our discussion: Mr. Larry Dalton of the Utah Division of Wildlife Resources and myself surveyed all of the existing power distribution lines within the mine Lease Area with the exception of the new line which runs to the Mud Water Canyon fan. This was constructed in the summer of 1977 - and an effort was made to safeguard raptors. Out of the 84 poles in service, only 20 are in a location and of a design that warrant further investigation. Do to the fact these lines have been constructed over a period of 50 plus years, we have considerable variation in construction and virtually none that are duplicated in EPA Bulletin 61-10. In view of this, we selected representative structures and photographed each type present even though the pole in question was located in such a place as not to pose any threat. The work done was on the ground and several areas were checked to confirm any usage - there was no evidence of a raptor fatality.

On the 23rd of June, Mr. Dalton has agreed to fly a helicopter survey of our raptor population - at the same time we can determine usage of the more remote poles. This, in conjunction with a request to have U.P.&L. examine our information and photographs, should give us a definite answer on any poles we need to modify and what modification will work best. As these determinations are completed we will forward copies to your office.

Sincerely,

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