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Mr. Dennis Dalley
Department of Health
Division of Environmental Health
150 West North Temple, Room 426
Salt Lake City, Utah 84116

RE: Determination of
Apparent Completeness
Starpoint #1 & 2 Mines
Getty Minerals Resources
Corporation
Plateau Mining Company
ACT/007/006
Carbon & Emery Counties

Dear Mr. Dalley:

The Utah Division of Oil, Gas and Mining has completed a cursory review of the Mining and Reclamation Plan (MRP) and amendments submitted by Plateau Mining Company for their Starpoint #1 & 2 Mines. This Division has determined the plan to be apparently complete. In compliance with Section UMC 786.11(b) and (c) of the Utah Coal Mining Reclamation Act (UCA, Section 40-10-1 et seq), notice is hereby given to all appropriate agencies having jurisdiction over or an interest in the area of the proposed (or existing) operations that a complete plan is available for public review for this existing operation.

Starpoint Mines are located one mile west of the old town of Wattis. Wattis is located 11 miles west and four miles south of Price, Utah. The permit area is located on the following U. S. Geological Survey 7.5 minute quadrangle maps: Wattis and Hiawatha.

The coal mining operation presently disturbs approximately 125 acres. The proposed expansion of operations total surface disturbance is estimated to be approximately 200 acres.

The proposed mining and reclamation plan involves underground multiple-seam mining, Wattis, Third and Hiawatha seams, on approximately 5,200 acres controlled by Plateau Mining Company, at a production rate of approximately two million tons per year for 21 years. The term of the mining and reclamation plan permit is five years.

Approximate location (Section, Township and Range):

Sections 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 16, 17, 20 and 21 of T. 15 S., R. 8 E., and Sections 1, 12, 13, 14, 23, 25 and 26 of T. 15 S., R. 7 E.

Federal Coal Leases: U-13097, SL-031286, U-7949 and U-37045

Utah Coal Leases: UCL-22729

Utah Special Use Permit: No. 288

The Division of Oil, Gas and Mining will now prepare a technical assessment (TA) to determine whether the proposed plan meets all the criteria of the Permanent Program Performance Standards according to the requirements of UCA, Section 40-10-1 et seq.

Upon completion of the TA for said plan, a decision will be made as to approval or disapproval of the permit application. No decision will be taken by the Director for a minimum period of 30 days after submission of this Notice of Availability to the appropriate agencies. This plan is available for public review at the Utah Division of Oil, Gas and Mining, 1588 West North Temple, Salt Lake City, Utah 84116-3156.

Comments on the proposed MRP may be addressed to the Director of this office: Cleon B. Feight, Director, Utah Division of Oil, Gas and Mining, 1588 West North Temple, Salt Lake City, Utah 84116-3156.

For further information, please contact: Mr. James W. Smith, Jr., Coordinator of Mined Land Development, at the address above.

Sincerely,

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COORDINATOR OF MINED
LAND DEVELOPMENT

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