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June 2, 1982

Mr. Wayne Hedberg
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RE: UT 0018

Dear Wayne:

We have reviewed the Plateau Mining Company's replies to the special stipulations set in the January 21, 1982 approval of the Star Point Mining and Reclamation Plan. Our response to the adequacy of the stipulations is outlined below.

Stipulations

1. Plateau Mining Company has provided the maps as requested by this stipulation.
2. Plateau Mining Company agrees to follow the procedures and course of action outlined which meets the requirement of stipulation #2.
3. Plateau Mining Company states that they have completed the surveys specified by this stipulation and will be forwarding a report for review. This stipulation cannot be cleared until the report is reviewed and a determination is made that all lands in question have been surveyed.
4. The requirements of this stipulation have been partially fulfilled. The report identified in stipulation #3 may provide the necessary information to finalize 106 compliance with Utah SHPO. Site specific justification for why a site is or is not eligible must be provided in order to clear this stipulation.
5. Plateau Mining Company has met the requirement of this stipulation.
6. Plateau Mining Company has stated that an adequate growth medium will be provided for each area. The company also indicated that this problem is under study and will be handled on a site specific basis. Plateau still needs to provide the information requested by this stipulation.

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7. Plateau Mining Company is actively trying to meet the requirements of this stipulation. See May 14, 1982 letter to Wayne Hedberg.
8. Plateau Mining Company's response to this stipulation is adequate.
9. Plateau Mining Company has provided a plan for the control of fires as attachment #5. This stipulation has been adequately met.
- 10a. The stipulation requires Plateau Mining Company to identify the seed mixture to be used for topsoil stockpile stabilization and permanent revegetation. Seed mixtures were provided in the Mining and Reclamation Plan as possible seed mixtures with no commitment as to their use. In addition, no seed mixture for topsoil stockpile stabilization is identified. The requirements of this stipulation have not been met.
- 10b. Plateau Mining Company indicates that disturbed areas have been planted with an approved seed mixture and that this was coordinated with U.D.W.R. The stipulation calls for submission of a plan which addresses the density, composition, and location of woody plants to be reestablished. A plan has not yet been submitted and the company has until 1/21/83 to meet the requirements of this stipulation.
- 10c. Plateau Mining Company's response to this stipulation is adequate.
11. Plateau Mining Company agrees to follow the prescribed methods outlined in Stipulation #11 which is an adequate response to this stipulation.

Also attached for your information and records are the responses from the Forest Service and Minerals Management Service in regard to these stipulations. The Forest Service indicates they must approve any seed mixture for use on National Forest land.

Sincerely,



Allen D. Klein
Administrator
Western Technical Center

Attachments

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
FOREST SERVICE
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April 28, 1982

Mr. Robert Bamburg
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Dear Mr. Bamburg,

The Forest Service has reviewed Plateau Mining Company's (PMC) response to the special stipulations for the Star Point Mines. Their responses are satisfactory. It should be mentioned that there is a Collection Agreement between the Forest Service and PMC for subsidence and hydrologic monitoring. All Federal lands within coal leases U-13097, SL-031286, U-7949, and U-37045 are included in the monitoring program. If additional lands are added by a lease action, the new land must be incorporated into the monitoring program. Those stipulations agreed to in the Collection Agreement will become automatically valid for lands added by leasing.

Any proposed seed mixes for reclamation, or use of National Forest land must receive Forest Service concurrence.

We appreciate the opportunity to review and respond to the special stipulation replies by PMC. If there are any questions, please contact us.

Sincerely,

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for
REED C. CHRISTENSEN
Forest Supervisor



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U-7949
U-37045

Minerals Management Service
Office of the District Mining Supervisor
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Salt Lake City, Utah 84104

April 1, 1982

Memorandum

To: Regional Director, Office of Surface
Mining, Denver, Colorado

From: District Mining Supervisor, Minerals Management
Service, Salt Lake City, Utah

Subject: Plateau Mining Company, Star Point Mines, Carbon
County, Utah, Underground Mining and Reclamation Plan



The one-volume supplement to the subject plan which was transmitted to this office with your form letter dated March 23, 1982, has been reviewed as requested for completeness and technical adequacy relating to the responsibilities of the Minerals Management Service. We have determined that this volume, which is the reply to the special stipulations of the approved subject plan dated January 21, 1982, is compatible with the requirements of the 30 CFR 211 regulations and for our administration of the associated Federal coal leases. Maximum economic recovery, as determined in the seven-volume approved plan, will not be affected by enforcement of these special stipulations.

J. Gordon Whitney
For Jackson W. Moffitt