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Re: Sediment Ponds
Total Dissolved Solids

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Dear Mr. Grimes:

This office has reviewed the Plateau Mining letters of June 27 and July 5, 1983 requesting a revision of the total dissolved solids (TDS) limitations for the sediment ponds. TDS Values of 700-3300 seem to occur naturally downstream of the sediment ponds. The sediment pond and stream data indicate a need and justification for a high TDS limitation.

Based on the above, we conclude that the following TDS limitations would now be appropriate for the sediment ponds.

1. A TDS maximum of 2000 mg/l
2. A total maximum of 1 ton of salt/day when decanting the ponds.

If these conditions are acceptable to the company and EPA, values exceeding the former limitation but in compliance with these interim limitations would not require further notices of violation to be submitted to this office.

Sincerely,

UTAH WATER POLLUTION CONTROL COMMITTEE

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cc: EPA/Denver - Water Management - Rob Walline
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