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October 15, 1984

Mr. Ben Grimes  
Environmental Coordinator  
Plateau Mining Company  
P. O. Drawer PMC  
Price, Utah 84501

Dear Mr. Grimes:

Re: Approval of Thickener Underflow Treatment Pads Starpoint  
Mines, ACT/007/006, Folder No. 3 and 4, Carbon County, Utah

The Division has reviewed Plateau Mining Company's October 4, 1984 response to the Division's September 26, 1984 deficiency letter for the above referenced plan.

As discussed with you on October 5, 1984, conditional approval is hereby granted under the following conditions:

- (1) The permanent seed mix attached to the October 4, 1984 response (as Table 3) is to be used for final revegetation. The company's reference to the seedmix in the MRP is not the same as Table 3 and should not be used for final revegetation of the ponds.

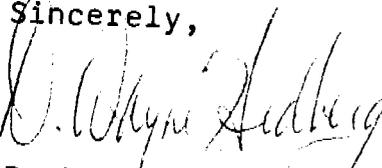
The operator has proposed a post-mining land use for the ponds to be used as wildlife watering impoundments. The Division cannot consider approving this request until the following information is addressed:

- (2) The plans for leaving the ponds must demonstrate compliance with the requirements of UMC 817.49(a) for a permanent impoundment.
- (3) Hydrologic designs and calculations for the pond(s) must insure that the structure(s) will demonstrate long term stability.
- (4) A post-mining reclamation contour map(s) must be provided which includes the drainage patterns to be re-established for this area.

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- (5) If the operator wishes to proceed with the request to leave the ponds, then the permanent seed mix (Table 3) shall be used initially to avoid having excessive competition from the interim revegetation seed mix upon termination of mining operations.
- (6) In as much as the bonding is incidental to the work required for reclamation, no additional bond will be required at this time. Any changes in the bond can be accomplished during the next annual bond update. The Division shall waive additional bonding until that time.

The Division appreciates your willingness and cooperation in these permitting matters. Should you have questions concerning the comments listed above, please call.

Sincerely,  
  
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