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RE: SEDIMENT POND NO. 2

Dear Wayne:

In your letter dated June 5, 1985 you requested additional information on Pond No. 2, to be submitted by June 28.

Pond No. 2 was designed using the previously accepted methods of calculating runoff; now there is a new method being used that greatly increases runoff volumes. Based on experience at our site, I believe the previous method overestimated runoff, yet, the new method doubles the runoff amount from the previous method. Part of the problem may be with the curve numbers assumed for our site. Without accurate curve numbers, we are actually shooting in the dark.

The Division is now requiring an emergency spillway, which previously has not been required.

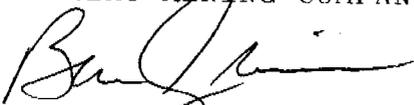
Because of these factors and others, we have decided to design Pond No. 2 outlet pipes to function the same as the modification to Ponds 4, 5 and 6, i.e., dewatering by automatic orifice. To accomplish this, we need additional time to allow our consultant adequate design time.

We would, therefore, ask for a three week extension to submit the required information as well as a new design for the outlet pipe dewatering device.

Please let me know if this is acceptable.

Respectfully,

PLATEAU MINING COMPANY



Ben Grimes
Environmental Coordinator

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