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TO: Wayne Hedberg, Permit Supervisor *[Signature]*
FROM: Randy Harden, Reclamation Engineer *[Signature]*
RE: Underground Mine Development Modification, Plateau Mining
Company, Starpoint Mine #2, ACT/007/006, Carbon County, Utah

The Division concurs with the proposal by Plateau Mining Company with reference to modifications of the underground mine development operations and will approve of the modification system when and if MSHA provides Plateau with approval of the two entry system. Application of the two entry gateroad will reduce ground stresses and ultimately surface effects by providing a yielding gateroad pillar system.

Although, there is some question as to the operational and safety requirements as concerned by MSHA, ultimately, the two entry system is superior from the standpoint of coal recovery and conservation of coal resources and in most cases beneficial from the standpoint of ground control and subsidence by allowing a more uniform distribution of ground stress loads.

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