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May 12, 1986

Mr. Lowell Braxton  
Division of Oil, Gas and Mining  
355 West North Temple  
3 Triad Center, Suite 350  
Salt Lake City, Utah 84180-1203

Re: Exploration Permit Application 86-1

Dear Mr. Braxton:

Enclosed are seven (7) copies of Exploration Permit Application 86-1.

The proposed exploration/groundwater monitoring wells are located on the U.S. Fuel property recently purchased by Plateau as discussed with you and various members of your staff.

To obtain groundwater information from the holes in time to be included in our Probable Hydrologic Consequences Determination for permit renewal, we need to start drilling in mid-June. We realize this creates a hardship on the Division to review and approve the exploration permit in that time period, but as things have developed, we have had no choice in the timing. Realizing the importance of the groundwater concerns, we trust that you can expedite review and approval of this program.

Thank you for your efforts.

Respectfully,

Ben Grimes  
Environmental Coordinator

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Enclosures

cc: Bob Lauman  
Greg Hunt  
Bob Eccli - U.S. Fuel Company