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Mr. Allen Kleier
Texaco Oil Company
Box EE
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Dear Mr. Kleier:

Re: Roads for Proposed Exploratory Oil and Gas Drill Holes, Plateau Mining Company, Star Point Mines, ACT/007/006, Folder #2, Carbon County, Utah

I am forwarding this letter at the request of Mr. Mark Kramer, regarding the exploratory oil and gas drill holes proposed for the area adjacent to the Plateau Mining Company's Star Point Mines in Carbon County, Utah. Mr. Kramer's question was what standards roads constructed for the exploratory drilling program would have to meet, because access involves crossing a permitted area within the jurisdiction of the Coal Regulatory Program of the Division of Oil, Gas and Mining.

My response to Mr. Kramer was that as long as the activities conducted are strictly and exclusively for oil and gas exploration, the Division's Coal Regulatory Program would have no jurisdiction over these roads. I also indicated to Mr. Kramer that no mining-related activities could occur on oil and gas related roads if they are to remain outside the jurisdiction of the Division's Coal Regulatory Program.

Please feel free to contact me should you have any further questions on this matter.

Sincerely,

John J. Whitehead
Permit Supervisor/
Reclamation Hydrologist

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