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Mr. John Whitehead
Division of Oil, Gas and Mining
355 West North Temple
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Salt Lake City, Utah 84180-1203

Re: **Response to DOGM February 5, 1988 letter and
Request for Modification of Runoff Control Plan**

Dear Mr. Whitehead:

I understand from Tom Munson that the Division has misplaced our response to the Division letter dated February 5, 1988.

I personally hand-delivered the response to Lowell on April 28 at his desk, so I am positive it got to the Division. Enclosed is another copy for your review.

In regards to our request to eliminate ditches 1A, 1B, and 2 as shown on Map 42 dated 6/83, analysis of the runoff contributing to treatment facility No. 1 with the ditches removed indicates the facility has the required runoff storage volume. The sediment storage volume would be reduced to a 1.3 year capacity. In the nine year history of this facility, it has only had to be cleaned one time (in 1985). Obviously the methodology for calculating sediment loads for this area is not correct. Considering the facility went six years before needing to be cleaned with the original design indicating three years; and with the ditches removed and a design value of 1.3 years cleaning requirement, we should be able to go 2.6 years between cleanings. This situation is acceptable to CPMC.

The revised tables and maps submitted in October of 1987 reflect the ditches removed. We, therefore, formally request a modification to remove the ditches. By simply accepting the October 1987 submittal, the Division can approve this request.

Tom Munson has verbally indicated he has no problem with this modification.

Respectfully

Ben Grimes
Sr. Environmental Engineer

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Enclosure

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