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ACT/007/006

June 1, 1989

Mr. Ben Grimes
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Dear Mr. Grimes:

I would like to take the opportunity to appraise you of a number of permitting and compliance issues at the Star Point operation. Chronologically speaking, Dianne Nielson's letter of February 23, 1989 to Bob Bolt, Deputy Director of the Office of Surface Mining, proposed a 60-day compliance schedule in the event Division's calculations of your approved MRP revealed an inability to meet the appropriate design event. Subsequent to that correspondence, the following occurred:

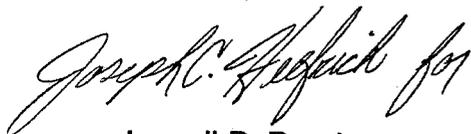
- April 18, 1989 Cyprus-Plateau Mining Company was issued Notice of Violation N-89-25-1-1.
- May 15, 1989 Notice of Violation N-89-25-1-1 was vacated.
- May 12, 1989 An onsite visit with yourself and Tom Munson took place to evaluate size and capacities of existing diversions and culverts.
- May 12, 1989 Field amendment ACT/007/006-89c was issued to Cyprus-Plateau Mining Company regarding the hydrologic upgrading of certain drainage control ditches by May 17, 1989.
- May 18, 1989 Notice of Violation N-89-26-17-1 was issued to Cyprus-Plateau Mining Company for failure to complete the hydrologic upgrading required in the above-referenced field amendment.
Field amendment ACT/007/006-89d was issued to Cyprus Plateau Mining Company addressing the design, construction and installation of ditches 6B and 7G, design and plan submittal to be completed by no later than June 16, 1989; subsequent installation to be completed within 30 days, with approval by the Division.

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Please bear in mind that field amendments are issued at the discretion of the Division staff to ensure upgrading of site and/or permit conditions.

If you have any questions regarding the above referenced sequence of events or attachment contained herein, please feel free to call.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Joseph C. Helfrich for", written in black ink.

Lowell P. Braxton
Associate Director, Mining

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