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Mr. Jim Carter, Director  
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Dear Mr. Carter,

**Re: Permit Issues Federal Coal Lease UTU-64263**

Cyprus Plateau Mining Corporation has been in the process of permitting a new federal coal lease (UTU-64263) since September, 1991. We have reached a point where a decision must be made on permit actions to resolve differences with the Division staff. We would like to meet with you and the appropriate people from the Division to discuss the situation. Tom Mitchell is at our operation today for a visit and recommended we meet with you to discuss the issues and our options. I have talked to Jan Brown of your office regarding a meeting, Jan is firming up the date and time with you. This letter is a formal request for the meeting.

There seems to be one major issue remaining to move the permit process along, that issue is the ground water description required by R645-301-724.100. We believe we have enough information to constitute baseline and the Division staff believes otherwise.

Pertinent documents that may be worth reviewing before a meeting are as follows:

<u>DATE</u>	<u>DOCUMENT</u>
Sept. 27, 1991	Permit renewal and addition of Lease UTU-64263.
Nov. 5, 1991	Division Order DO-91C, Folder #3. The order was to revise the Probable Hydrologic Consequences Determination.
Jan. 23, 1992	DOGM letter clarifying PHC requirements.
Jan. 28, 1992	Permit ACT/007/006 renewal (without Lease UTU-64263).

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Feb. 6, 1992	Letter from DOGM clarifying PHC and ground water characterization.
May 14, 1992	Revised Probable Hydrologic Consequences Determination submitted.
Aug. 4, 1992	Review comments from DOGM on the Revised PHC submitted May 14, 1992.
Sept. 26, 1992	Response to DOGM August 4, 1992 comments on PHC.
Dec. 2, 1992	DOGM review comments on the response to the PHC submitted September 26, 1992.
Jan. 14, 1993	Response to DOGM Dec. 2, 1992 review comments on the response to the PHC.
Mar. 1, 1993	Determination of completeness on Lease UTU-64263.
Mar. 25, 1993	DOGM review comments on January 14, 1993 response to DOGM comments.

We look forward to meeting with you to resolve this issue. If you have questions before the meeting, please don't hesitate to call.

Respectfully,



Ben Grimes  
Environmental Coordinator

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