



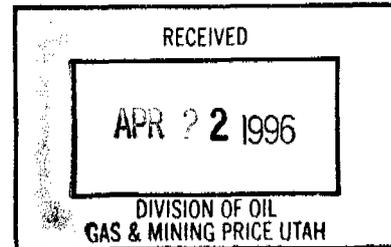
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Re: Revision to In-Mine Water Monitoring Program, Cyprus Plateau Mining Corporation, Star Point Mines, ACT/007/006

Dear Mr. Malencik:

As discussed with you on April 17, 1996, and ongoing discussions with Mr. Steve Johnson, enclosed is an Application for Permit Change to amend the current in-mine monitoring program. These changes are necessary as sections of the mine are abandoned and sealed.

It is Cyprus Plateau Mining Corporation's (CPMC) intent to abandon well P92-03-WD within the next two to four weeks as crews progress out of the southern mine block of the Gentry Ridge tract. Presently, retreat mining is within 700 feet of this well. CPMC will have a licensed driller oversee the abandonment of this well.

As retreat mining progresses northward, it will become necessary to abandon well P92-01-WD (triple nested well) prior to the sealing of the southern mine block of Gentry Ridge tract. Well P92-01-WD will be monitored for as long as possible. It is anticipated that this well will be abandoned during the latter part of 1996.

To update the MRP, CPMC is removing mine flow 1W4 from its monitoring program, because of the area being sealed; thereby precluding access to 1W4.

Please forward this information as necessary for review and approval at your earliest convenience. If you have any questions or need additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me at (801) 636-2289 or Mr. David Hansen (Hansen, Allen & Luce) at (801) 566-5599.

Sincerely,

Johnny Pappas
Environmental Engineer

Enclosures