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ACT/007/006

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Mr. Paul Baker
Utah Division of Oil, Gas and Mining
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Re: Request for Extension for Topsoil Borrow Site Permitting, Cyprus Plateau Mining Corporation, Star Point Mine, ACT/007/006, Carbon County, Utah

Dear Mr. Baker:

Cyprus Plateau Mining Corporation (CPMC) is herewith requesting an extension to the aforementioned. The Star Point Plan had a stipulation in it requiring the permitting of the topsoil borrow site by January 1, 1999.

As you are aware, CPMC has began the permitting process and has pretty much completed the vegetation and soils investigation portion of the permit amendment. As of the end of December, Mr. Patrick Collins (Mt. Nebo Scientific) had most of his write up completed and was still waiting for Mr. Jim Nyenhuis to complete the rest of his soils write up, so that he could assemble the information for submittal to EarthFax Engineering for their inclusion into the amendment package.

EarthFax Engineering was instructed by me to have the permit amendment package ready for submittal by the end of January 1999. Therefore, depending on the Division's review process and CPMC's need to address any deficiencies identified by the Division, CPMC would like to have until March 31, 1999, to complete the permitting process.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at (435) 472-4741.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Johnny Pappas'.

Johnny Pappas
Sr. Environmental Engineer

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