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In Reply Refer To:
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U-7949
(UT-932)

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Mr. Lowell Braxton, Director
Utah Division of Oil, Gas and Mining
P.O. Box 145801
Salt Lake City, Utah 84114-5801

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Dear Mr. Braxton:

On August 23, 2000, Plateau Mining Corporation filed, in this office, a request for full relinquishment of Federal coal lease U-7949. Enclosed is a copy of the relinquishment document.

Pursuant to 43 CFR 3452.1-3, a relinquishment can be accepted if it is determined that the relinquishment will not impair the public interest and that all obligations of the lessee under the regulations and the terms of the lease have been met. Please advise whether you have any input or information, regarding this relinquishment, that should be considered by BLM in making these determinations.

The lease consists of the following land description:

T. 15 S., R. 8 E., SLM, UT
Sec. 17, S2NE, SE.

Containing 240.00 acres Carbon County

No response is required. If we do not receive a reply by November 1, 2000, BLM will assume there is no input to be provided.

Douglas M. Koza

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Deputy State Director,
Natural Resources

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RAG Coal Sales of America, Inc.

Larry M. Deal
Vice President, Regional Sales (West)

August 18, 2000

Chris Merritt, Land Law Examiner
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LAMS REF. #PLA-001-0086-0000
Relinquishment of U.S. Coal Mining Lease No. UTU-7949
Star Point Mine
Carbon County, Utah

Dear Mr. Merritt:

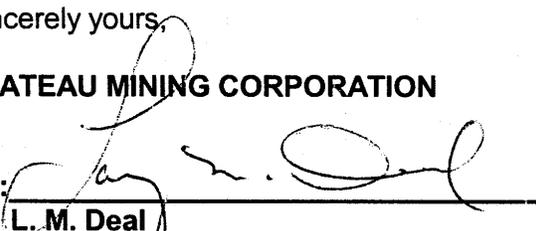
In accordance with Section 4 of that certain Coal Mining Lease No. UTU-7949 dated September 1, 1970 between the United States of America, Lessor, and Plateau Mining Corporation, successor in interest to Plateau Mining, Ltd., Lessee, Plateau Mining Corporation hereby requests full relinquishment of Coal Mining Lease No. UTU-7949.

Also, enclosed for your information and records is (1) a revised Certificate of Secretary denoting the qualified corporate officers for Plateau Mining Corporation; and (2) a list of the federal leases and rights-of-way affected by the aforementioned Certificate of Secretary.

Should you have any questions concerning this matter, please do not hesitate to contact Cory Bromley, Esq., at (303) 749-8438 or Lee Gaskins at (303) 749-8410. Thank you for your cooperation and assistance.

Sincerely yours,

PLATEAU MINING CORPORATION

By: 

L. M. Deal

Vice President, Regional Sales (West)

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Enclosures (2)

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