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Re: Deletion of Discharge Points 002, 004, 007, and 009 from UPDES Permit No. UT0023736 and 020 from UPDES Permit No. UTG040012

Dear Mr. Herkimer:

Plateau Mining Corporation (PMC) performed final reclamation activities, in accordance with its Mining and Reclamation Permit, to its properties covered by the aforementioned UPDES Permits. As a result of the reclamation activities, several outfalls were removed.

Outfalls 002, 004, 007, and 009 as authorized under UPDES Permit No. UT0023736 were removed this year as reclamation of the Star Point Mine progressed down canyon. In addition to the removal of said outfalls due to final reclamation activities, outfalls 005, 006, and 010 have been deleted from the permit via the Division's November 27, 2002, letter.

With the removal and deletion of all outfalls authorized under UPDES Permit No. UT0023736, PMC does not have any outfalls to monitor and is hereby requesting UPDES Permit No. UT0023736 be terminated.

Final reclamation activities to the Adit No.1 resulted in the removal of outfall 020. With the renewal of UPDES permit UTG040012 in April 2003, Plateau Mining Corporation (PMC) would like to have outfall 020 deleted from the permit.

PMC would like some guidance from the Division on how future DMR submittals should be processed. If the outfall authorized by permit no longer exists, should PMC continue to submit the appropriate DMR until deletion is authorized by letter, renewal of permit, or termination of permit?

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Until otherwise instructed, PMC will continue to submit a discharge monitoring report on a monthly basis for those outfalls removed subsequent to final reclamation of the sites. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at (435) 472-4741.

Sincerely,



Johnny Pappas
Sr. Environmental Engineer