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RE: Permit Reduction, Plateau Mining Corporation, Star Point Mine, C/007/006-02D

SUMMARY:

The Division received an application (AM02D) for a reduction in the permit and disturbed area acreage at the Star Point Mine on March 26, 2002. The proposed reduction decreases the permit area by 245.10 acres and the disturbed area by 108.20 acres. The refuse pile and associated borrow area were sold to Sunnyside Cogeneration Associates (SCA). SCA is concurrently permitting the refuse pile.

TECHNICAL ANALYSIS:

GENERAL CONTENTS

PERMIT APPLICATION FORMAT AND CONTENTS

Regulatory Reference: 30 CFR 777.11; R645-301-120.

Analysis:

The Operator has told the Division that SCA has bought and will permit the subsoil stockpile. The subsoil primarily originated from development of the refuse pile. This information was not included in the acreage calculations for pages 300-3 through 300-6 of this amendment or shown on Map 321.100h.

TECHNICAL MEMO

Findings:

The information provided does not meet the minimum Permit Application Format and Contents requirements of the regulations. Prior to approval and in accordance with:

R645-301-121.100, The proposed changes to the MRP must contain current information concerning the status of the subsoil stockpile. The current information must be included in acreage figures and maps.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

The information submitted cannot be approved until the above noted deficiencies are addressed and permit C/007/042 Star Point Refuse is issued.