

June 9, 2003

Johnny Pappas, Sr. Environmental Engineer
Castle Gate Holding Company
P.O. Box 30
Helper, Utah 84526-0030

Re: Signed Reclamation Agreement- Request for Exhibit A and Exhibit D, Castle Gate Holding Company, Castle Gate Mine, C/007/004, Plateau Mining Corporation, Star Point Mine, C/007/006, and Willow Creek Mine, C/007/038, Outgoing File

Dear Mr. Semborski:

Enclosed please find signed Reclamation Agreements for the above-referenced mines. Exhibit A has been updated. Please complete and have the appropriate parties sign and return to the Division by August 15, 2003. Additionally, please complete Exhibit D.

If you have any questions, please feel free to call me at (801) 538-5268. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Pamela Grubaugh-Littig
Permit Supervisor

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Enclosure
cc: Price Field Office
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**RECLAMATION AGREEMENT
(COAL)**

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"BOND AMOUNT": (Bond Amount-Dollars) \$10,581,000.00

(Escalated Year-Dollars) 2002

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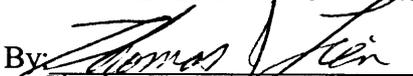
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14. Each signatory below represents that he/she is authorized to execute this Agreement on behalf of the named party. Proof of such authorization is provided on a form acceptable to the Division and is attached thereto.

SO AGREED this 20th day of May, 2003.

PERMITTEE:

PLATEAU MINING CORPORATION

By: 
CB Thomas J. Lien
Title: President

STATE OF UTAH:

Director,
Division of Oil, Gas and Mining

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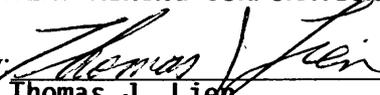
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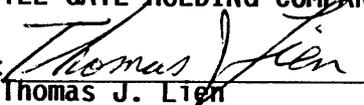
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Bond Number _____

EXHIBIT "A"

Pursuant to R645-301- 820.110, the surety bond covers an identified increment of land within the permit area upon which the operator will initiate and conduct coal mining and reclamation operations during the initial term of the permit. This area is identified as:

Map(s) showing the BONDED AREA within the approved PERMIT AREA :

Legal description of BONDED AREA:

The above described area shall be modified as necessary to correspond to an increase in the area disturbed as a result of an expansion of coal mining and reclamation operations, or as a result of material surface damage that is caused by a result of subsidence. The described area may also be decreased as a result of partial reclamation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the **SURETY** has hereunto set its signature and seal this

_____ day of _____, 20____.

SURETY

By:

Title:

EXHIBIT “D”

**Stipulation to Revise
Reclamation Agreement
(Federal)**

Permit Number: _____
Effective Date: _____
Bond Number: _____

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STIPULATION TO REVISE RECLAMATION AGREEMENT
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This **STIPULATION TO REVISE RECLAMATION AGREEMENT** entered into by and between the **PERMITTEE** and **DIVISION** incorporates the following revisions or changes to the **RECLAMATION AGREEMENT**: (Identify and Describe Revisions below)

In accordance with this **STIPULATION TO REVISE RECLAMATION AGREEMENT**, the following Exhibits have been replaced by the **PERMITTEE** and are approved by the **DIVISION**.

_____ Replace the Reclamation agreement in its entirety.

_____ Replace Exhibit "A"- permit area.

_____ Replace Exhibit "B"- bonding agreement

_____ Replace Exhibit "C"- liability insurance

The bonding amount is revised from \$_____ to \$_____.

The bonding type is changed from _____ to _____.

The surface disturbance is revised from _____ acre to _____ acres.

The expiration date is revised from _____ to _____.

The liability insurance carrier is changed from _____ to _____.

The amount of insurance coverage for bodily injury and property damage is changed
from
\$ _____ to \$ _____.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, _____ the **PERMITTEE** has hereunto set
its signature and seal this _____ day of _____, 20____.

PERMITTEE

By: _____

Title: _____

ACCEPTED BY THE STATE OF UTAH this ___ day of _____, 20____.

Director,
Division of Oil, Gas and Mining

NOTE: An **Affidavit of Qualification** must be completed and attached to this form for each authorized agent or officer. Where on signs by virtue of Power or Attorney of a company, such Power of Attorney must be filed with this Agreement. If the **PERMITTEE** is a corporation, the Agreement shall be executed by its duly authorized officer.