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UTU-7949
(UT-923)

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DECISION

Plateau Mining Corporation	:	Coal Lease
391 Inverness Drive South, Suite 333	:	UTU-7949
Englewood, Colorado 80112-9804	:	
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Relinquished*

Coal Lease Relinquishment Accepted

Request for full relinquishment of Federal coal lease UTU-7949 was filed in this office August 23, 2000, by Plateau Mining Corporation, the lessee. The lease currently contains 240.00 acres. After reviewing the administrative record for this lease, BLM will accept the full relinquishment requested.

In accordance with 43 CFR 3452.1-3, the lease is hereby accepted as relinquished as of August 23, 2000. BLM has determined that this relinquishment is in the public interest, that the accrued rentals and royalties have been paid, and that all obligations of the lessee under the regulations and the terms of the lease have been met. The relinquished lands are subject to any reclamation actions deemed necessary under the requirements of the SMCRA permit. Application for refund of excess rental paid after the acceptance date should be made directly to the Minerals Management Service, Solid Minerals Staff, MS390B2, Box 25165, Denver, CO 80225. The lessee is obligated to resolve any discrepancies in payments to MMS that may be identified subsequent to this decision.

This decision may be appealed to the Interior Board of Land Appeals, Office of the Secretary, in accordance with the regulations contained in 43 CFR, Part 4, and the enclosed Form 1842-1. If an appeal is taken, your notice of appeal must be filed in this office (at the above address) within 30 days from receipt of this decision. The appellant has the burden of showing that the decision appealed from is in error.

If you wish to file a petition (pursuant to regulation 43 CFR 4.21)(58 FR 4939, January 19, 1993) (request) for a stay (suspension) of the effectiveness of this decision during the time that your appeal is being reviewed by the Board, the petition for a stay must accompany your notice of appeal. A petition for a stay is required to show sufficient justification based on the standards listed below. Copies of the notice of appeal and petition for a stay **must** also be submitted to

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each party named in this decision and to the Interior Board of Land Appeals and to the appropriate Office of the Solicitor (see 43 CFR 4.413) at the same time the original documents are filed in this office. If you request a stay, you have the burden of proof to demonstrate that a stay should be granted.

Standards for Obtaining a Stay

Except as otherwise provided by law or other pertinent regulation, a petition for a stay of a decision pending appeal shall show sufficient justification based on the following standards:

- (1) The relative harm to the parties if the stay is granted or denied,
- (2) The likelihood of the appellant's success on the merits,
- (3) The likelihood of immediate and irreparable harm if the stay is granted, and
- (4) Whether the public interest favors granting the stay.

If you have further questions call Bill Buge at (801) 539-4086.

Kent Hoffman

Kent Hoffman
Deputy State Director
Lands and Minerals

Enclosure

1. Form 1842-1

cc: Resource Development Coordinating Committee, ATTN: Mineral Leasing Taskforce,
116 State Capital Building, Salt Lake City, Utah 84114
MMS, MRM, Solid Minerals Staff, Attn: Patrick Mulcahy, MS390B2, Box 25165, Denver,
CO 80225-0165
Ms. Mary Ann Wright, Acting Director, UDOGM, Box 145801, Salt Lake City, Utah 84114-
5801
Ms. Alice B. Carlton, Forest Supervisor, Manti La Sal National Forest, 599 West Price River
Drive, Price, Utah 84501
Price Field Office (Attn: Steve Rigby)

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INFORMATION ON TAKING APPEALS TO THE BOARD OF LAND APPEALS

DO NOT APPEAL UNLESS

1. This decision is adverse to you,
AND
2. You believe it is incorrect

IF YOU APPEAL, THE FOLLOWING PROCEDURES MUST BE FOLLOWED

1. NOTICE OF APPEAL Within 30 days, file a *Notice of Appeal* in the office which issued this decision (see 43 CFR Secs. 4.411 and 4.413). You may state your reasons for appealing, if you desire.
2. WHERE TO FILE Bureau of Land Management
NOTICE OF APPEAL Utah State Office
440 West 200 South, Suite 500
Salt Lake City, Utah 84101
Bureau of Land Management
Utah State Office
P. O. Box 45155
Salt Lake City, UT 84145-0155

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Room 6201
125 South State Street
Salt Lake City, Utah 84111
3. STATEMENT OF REASONS Within 30 days after filing the *Notice of Appeal*, file a complete statement of the reasons why you are appealing. This must be filed with the United States Department of the Interior, Office of the Secretary, Board of Land Appeals, 801 N. Quincy St., Suite 300, Arlington, Virginia 22203 (see 43 CFR Sec. 4.412 and 4.413). If you fully stated your reasons for appealing when filing the *Notice of Appeal*, no additional statement is necessary.

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4. ADVERSE PARTIES Within 15 days after each document is filed, each adverse party named in the decision and the Regional Solicitor or Field Solicitor having jurisdiction over the State in which the appeal arose must be served with a copy of: (a) the *Notice of Appeal*, (b) the Statement of Reasons, and (c) any other documents filed (see 43 CFR Sec. 4.413). Service will be made upon the Associate Solicitor, Division of Energy and Resources, Washington D.C. 20240, instead of the Field or Regional Solicitor when appeals are taken from the decisions of the Director (WO-100)
5. PROOF OF SERVICE Within 15 days after any document is served on an adverse party, file proof of that service with the United States Department of the Interior, Office of the Secretary, Board of Land Appeals, 801 N. Quincy St., Suite 300, Arlington, Virginia 22203. This may consist of a certified or registered mail "Return Receipt Card" signed by the adverse party (see 43 CFR Sec. 4.401(c)(2)).

Unless these procedures are followed, your appeal will be subject to dismissal (see 43 CFR Sec. 4.402). Be certain that all communications are identified by serial number of the case being appealed.

NOTE: A document is not filed until it is actually received in the proper office (see 43 CFR Sec. 4.401(a))