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Dennis Ware, Controller
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Subject: Midterm Review, Plateau Mining Corporation, Star Point Mine, C/007/0006, Task #3304, Outgoing File

Dear Mr. Ware:

The Division has completed the Midterm Review of the Star Point Mine in accordance with R645-303-211. The items reviewed, were identified in our June 4, 2009 letter to PMC.

The results are listed below.

- 1) An AVS check to was conducted on December 22. No violations are pending.
- 2) The MRP is updated to reflect changes in the Utah Coal Regulatory Program that occurred subsequent to permit approval.
- 3) A review for division orders and mine plan changes has indicated that all pending issues have been addressed.
- 4) A technical field trip and mine plan review was conducted to ensure that the reclamation activities and mine plan implemented the best technology currently available (BTCA) to prevent additional contributions of suspended solids to stream flows outside of the permit area.
- 5) The bond has been reviewed to ensure that it is in order and that the cost estimate is accurate and is escalated to the appropriate year dollar.
- 6) The Division conducted a midterm inspection review of the main facilities on May 14, 2004. Additional evaluation of the reclaimed areas was conducted during the Phase 1 Bond release site evaluation on June 23 and 24, 2004.

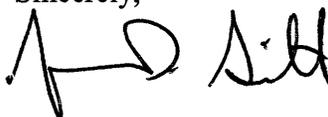


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This concludes the midterm review of the Star Point Mine. Thank you for your cooperation during the review.

If you have any questions regarding these requirements or the Midterm Review please don't hesitate to call.

Sincerely,

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James D. Smith
Permit Supervisor

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cc: Price Field Office
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