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UTAH DIVISION OF OIL, GAS & MINING
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Permit No. ACT/007/007

Dear Jim:

On behalf of Sunnyside Coal Company ("SCC"), we respectfully request an additional 30 days in which to respond to Division Order No. 94B ("Order"). As Robert Burnham has discussed with you, the federal bankruptcy court has denied SCC's request to transfer the costs of retiree benefits out of SCC's estate. This ruling will affect the timetable for addressing permit deficiencies set forth in the Order.

We will contact you later in the week to confirm the meeting set for August 11, 1994 at the Sunnyside Mine. Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Very truly yours,



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