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Mr. Don Crane
Office of Surface Mining
Brooks Towers
1020 - 15th Street
Denver, Colorado 80202

Re: Proposed Mine Permit Area
Pacific Gas and Electric
Sage Point-Dugout Canyon
Underground Coal Mine
Emery County, Utah

Dear Don:

Included with Ms. Mary Ann Wright's letter of September 7, 1979 to John Hardaway were three enclosures relative to the above mentioned mine. Attached to enclosure number 1 was a map which illustrated the proposed mine's "permit area" and "adjacent area". The Division seeks your comment on this illustration, mainly with regard to the applicability of the permit area to the rail spur which is proposed to be installed.

It is the considered opinion of the Division that the permit area should not extend to the area which will contain the rail spur since the point of connection to interstate commerce will be at the mine site itself.

The company is now designing its mine plan along with its attendant wildlife survey on the permit and adjacent areas and is interested in achieving agreement between the O.S.M. and the Division on this item.

The Division would like to present back to the operator our coordinated position on this question. Could your staff respond to this by January 7, 1980?

Please call if you feel that this issue needs more discussion.

Sincerely,

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COORDINATOR OF MINED
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