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March 24, 1980

Ms. Shirley Lindsay, Ecologist
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Re: Eureka Energy Corporation
Sage Point Dugout Canyon Mine
ACT/007/009

Dear Shirley,

This letter is simply to document some changes that were made via telephone with Ron Naten of your office concerning sampling requirements for aquatic biota at the above-noted proposed mine site. As you will recall, this company has gone through the process of a wildlife consultation pursuant to UMC 783.20 of Utah's regulations. Your reply dated September 20, 1980 to a consultation request from this office is enclosed. In it are detailed the requirements for an aquatic biota study for Soldier Creek and (possibly) Fish Creek (see #'s 4 & 5).

As a result of a field investigation (refer to the enclosed memo to file) and incorporating both Utah Division of Wildlife Resources and U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service consultation replies, the aquatic study requirements were discussed with Ron Naten via telephone. The following is my understanding of the agreed upon approach-

(1) that aquatic sampling of benthic organisms, periphyton and fish are unnecessary at this site,

(2) that water quantity and quality and other physical and chemical parameters will be and are being measured as part of the water monitoring program at the site, and

(3) that physical and chemical characteristics of the streams should be measured as part of an aquatic habitat study and for restoration purposes. These characteristics are set forth in the September 13, 1979 guidelines and must be measured for those stream areas which will be culverted or diverted.

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Please contact me should you have questions about this matter.
Thanks for your continued cooperation.

Sincerely,

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