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Mr. Melvin T. Smith  
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Salt Lake City, Utah

Attn: Jim Dykman

Dear Mr. Smith:

I refer to both our letter of last June 18 (copy enclosed) in which we discuss the Sage Point-Dugout Canyon Mine Plan and your response which was directed to the State Division of Oil, Gas and Mining in Salt Lake City, Utah.

We have reviewed again the archeological mitigation plan proposal by the Eureka Energy Company and believe that a more detailed, site-specific plan is needed, especially for those prehistoric sites that have been recommended as being eligible for nomination to the National Register. Initial "testing", as outlined in the plan, could be considered the first phase of a two phase mitigation approach. Should the testing of a particular site prove to be sufficient mitigation no further work would be required there. If "tested" sites require further investigation a more site-specific plan would be called for.

The company is willing to provide a more specific supplement to the mitigation plan. When National Register eligibility of the potentially impacted sites has been determined, the company can complete the necessary archeological work.

We therefore look forward to your response to our June 18th letter. Should you have any questions, please contact either Judy Shafer or Foster Kirby at (303) 837-2451.

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Sincerely,

*Richard E. Dawes*

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Enclosures

cc: Jim Smith - Utah