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Dear Dave:

United States Fuel Company is proposing a modification of their ground water monitoring plan. This modification is based on the transfer and sales of coal rights previously held by U.S. Fuel and subsequent mine plan revisions. It is our hope that the monitoring program can be revised to fit the present and future needs and delete the obsolete requirements.

Presently U.S. Fuel is revising their surface subsidence monitoring plan. In conjunction with this a map has been prepared which illustrates the past two years of mining and projected mining to the end of the permit (March 1992). Another map (VII-1C) illustrates the maximum extent of potential subsidence based on the Mine Plan Projection. Exhibit VII-1 depicts monitoring stations for springs and streams in and adjacent to the permit area.

Since the last permit application submittal several major changes in the projected mining area have occurred. In December 1985 U.S. Fuel entered into an agreement to lease Plateau Mining Company a block of coal in the northern portion of the permit area. In March, 1986, U.S. Fuel sold a large block to Intermountain Power Agency. This is located south of the present mine permit boundary and labeled IPA.

It was anticipated at one time that U.S. Fuel would open several new mines in this south block but this is no longer a possibility.



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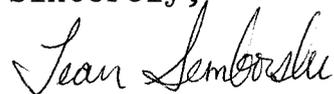
U.S. Fuel had also anticipated mining the north part of Section 18. Plateau now has this property permitted and is presently mining and conducting the environmental monitoring. U.S. Fuel has not mined nor has any plans to mine any further to the North. Exhibit VII-1C depicts mining and the maximum extent of potential subsidence. As can be seen from this map and Exhibit VII-1 SP-1 and SP-14 lie well outside the scope of concern. They are presently being monitored by Plateau. U.S. Fuel finds no reason to continue monitoring at these locations.

With regard to the area south of the permit boundary, SP-9, SP-6, SP-8, ST-6 and St-7 fall outside of the permit boundary. These points are not within the U.S. Fuel permit boundary, are not located within a zone of concern regarding subsidence or future mining and are quite remotely located from present or future mining. As we no longer have an interest in this southern block, we would like to request that these points be deleted as well.

We feel these changes will help to focus our efforts on the current and future mining plan and save time and money while still complying with the monitoring requirements.

Please feel free to contact me should you wish to discuss any aspect of this modification.

Sincerely,



Jean Semborski  
Environmental Coordinator

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cc: E. Gardiner  
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Dear Ms. Linner:

U.S. Fuel has begun work on a subsidence monitoring program as discussed in your July 1, 1988 letter. To let you know where we intend to concentrate our efforts we are enclosing a 500 scale map which depicts areas where mining has been conducted during the past two years (dotted pattern) and areas in which mining might be conducted during the remainder of the permit term (diamond pattern). Details on sequencing are not available because coal height, quality and market demand will play a major role in determining direction and rate of mining. All past and projected mining is in the "B" seam.

Subsidence monitoring plans will be submitted to the Division for review prior to conducting surveys. Please direct future correspondence on this matter to Jean Semborski.

Sincerely,



Jean Semborski  
Environmental Coordinator

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pc: Dave Darby

