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 SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH 84138

May 19, 1980

IN REPLY REFER TO:

Mr. Cleon B. Feight, Director  
 Division of Oil, Gas, and Mining  
 1588 West North Temple  
 Salt Lake City, Utah 84116

Attention: Mary Ann Wright

RE: U.S. Steel Corporation  
 Wellington Coal Cleaning Plant  
 ACT/007/012

Dear Mr. Feight:

The following letter constitutes our response to the Pre-design Consultation conducted in regard to the U.S. Steel coal cleaning plant.

We do not recommend the initiation of additional baseline inventory studies except as indicated below. Available information from existing sources will be adequate for the Company to prepare the appropriate section of their mine plan permit. ✓

This permit area is located in the range of the following endangered species. ✓

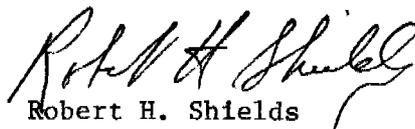
1. Black-footed Ferret, Mustela nigripes
2. Peregrine Falcon, Falco peregrinus anatum
3. Bald Eagle, Haliaeetus leucocephalus

The Company should ascertain whether any of these species do occur in this permit area.

We would welcome the opportunity to provide advice during the development of the Fish and Wildlife Plan section of the mine plan for this operation. There is an excellent opportunity for the Company to develop a wildlife enhancement program on their properties that could be very beneficial to waterfowl resources.

This completes our comment in regard to the Pre-design Consultation for this permit area. If we can be of further assistance, please contact us.

Sincerely,

  
 Robert H. Shields  
 Area Manager

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