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July 2, 1981

*Jim,
Can you have
someone file this
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DIVISION OF
OIL, GAS & MINING

Mr. Ronald W. Daniels
Coordinator of Mines Land Development
State of Utah
Division of Oil, Gas and Mining
1588 West North Temple
Salt Lake City, Utah 84116

Dear Ron,

The United States Steel Corporation's Wellington Coal Cleaning Plant near Wellington, Utah as part of the water clarification and waste disposal system pumps the process water, non coal waste and fine coal waste to a disposal area. The heavy non coal waste is deposited on the higher elevations near the end of the discharge pipe. The fine coal waste (nominal -200 mesh) flows with the water to clarification ponds. The fine coal waste is deposited in the upper settling ponds and the clarified water passes to a clear water pond for reuse in the coal preparation process. The settling ponds are at a capacity for storage of this material. The Coal Cleaning Plant is preparing to remove this fine coal from the ponds for storage outside the ponds and sale at some future date. This activity is identified in the Wellington Coal Cleaning Plant Operation and Reclamation plan on page 784-9.

A trial shipment of this material is planned in the near future to a potential customer. A successful trial is expected to result in continued sales of this material as it is removed from the ponds.

The operation and storage locations will be inside the permit area. The present sediment control on the west side of the river (at the waste disposal site) is adequate and will not require additional sediment control structures. We do not anticipate a requirement for additional control structures east of the river. We are not aware of any necessary modification to the Operation and Reclamation plan that will be necessary as a result of this activity.

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We will be prepared to review the projected operation with Oil, Gas and Mining at the next inspection or other time convenient to you. We do not have a date to initiate operations at this time. However, time could become critical in the event of a successful test of the trial shipment.

This letter notifies you that this operation as described in the Operation and Reclamation plan can become an actual operation in the near future. We should proceed to jointly determine if you will require additional information regarding this projected operation.

Sincerely,



Glenn H. Sides
Chief Engineer

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