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Mr. R. E. Yourston
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RE: Administrative Completeness
Review
UMC 785.19 Alluvial
Valley Floors
Wellington Preparation Plant
ACT/007/012
Carbon County, Utah

Dear Mr. Yourston:

This letter is in response to your January 3, 1983 letter concerning the applicability of UMC 785.19 (Alluvial Valley Floors) to the Wellington Preparation Plant coal processing facility.

It is the Division's opinion that it was the intent of Congress with the enactment of the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act of 1977 and the drafting of the AVF language to include all areas of significant surface disturbance related to coal mining activities, be they on the actual mine-site or off the mine-site area. This would include coal preparation plants and all their auxiliary facilities regardless of the distance from the actual mine site.

However, the Division has re-evaluated the permit application for the Wellington Preparation Plant along with the extenuating circumstances and after considerable deliberation has elected not to require U. S. Steel Mining Company to address UMC 785.19 at this time.

Should you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,

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COORDINATOR
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