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March 20, 1989

Mr. Lou Kuchinic  
Kaiser Coal Corporation  
P. O. Box 1107  
Raton, New Mexico 87720

Dear Mr. <sup>for</sup> Kuchinic:

Re: Updated Compliance schedule, Wellington Preparation Plant,  
ACT/007/012, Folder #2, Carbon County, Utah

Enclosed is the updated compliance schedule for the Wellington Preparation Plan, which Susan Linner and Harold Sandbeck discussed with you last week. Please call me if you have any questions.

Best regards,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'Dianne'.

Dianne R. Nielson  
Director

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Enclosure  
cc: D. Schwehr, Nevada Power Co.  
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BT140/8

WELLINGTON PREPARATION PLANT  
ACT/007/012

SCHEDULED COMPLIANCE WORKLOAD

Activity

Deadline

LIABILITY INSURANCE

April 1, 1989

Lou Kuchinic mentioned that insurance was renewed for all properties. Copy will be sent to DOGM.

WATER MONITORING

The approved permit requires quarterly groundwater monitoring at 14 wells, quarterly surface water monitoring at one site and biannually at 7 other sites (high- and low-flow). The report of monitoring data for the year is due annually by March 31, with quarterly reporting due in the quarter following sample collection.

- \* Quarterly - groundwater (14) sites)
- \* Semi-Annual - Surface Water (7 sites)
- \* Quarterly - Surface Water (1 site)
- \* Annual report due March 31

The operator is approved for baseline monitoring. However, the operator appears eligible for an operational monitoring mode. Division approval is required before switching from baseline mode to operational mode.

N89-27-3-1 was issued February 23, 1989 because the operator failed to conduct water monitoring according to plan as follows:

Surface stations SW-1 and SW-2 are monitored on a biannual basis. For the above mentioned stations, flow was not measured for the 1st half of 1988. The operators lab missed four parameters. The parameters missed were acidity, C-A balance, SS, and TSS.

Surface stations SW-1, SW-2 and SW-4 are monitored on a biannual basis. For the above mentioned stations, acidity, C-A balance, SS and TSS were not measured for the last half of 1988. This was a lab mistake, not an operator's mistake.

INSPECT SLURRY PONDS

Clear Water, Upper Refuse and Lower Refuse Pond                      Weekly

INSPECT SEDIMENT PONDS AND REFUSE PILES

Ponds: Pipeline slurry pond, roadside pond, auxiliary pond and the dryer pond.                      Quarterly

Refuse Piles: Plant Refuse pile and the Pond Refuse Pile.                      Quarterly

NPDES PERMIT

Required for operational status

SOIL SAMPLING

Permit stipulation UMC 817.22-(1) requires amendment of the plan to incorporate specific soils sampling in the test plots. The operator has committed to the sampling schedule and agreed to resample the test plots.                      Annual (recommended by Mid-October) Test Plots were analyzed the week of November 14, 1988. Analysis to be submitted with annual report.

WATER MONITORING BASELINE REPORT

(Originally due August 31, 1988)

Mid-Permit Term Review (MPTR) Stipulation UMC 817.52-(1) requires submittal of a comprehensive report on baseline water monitoring studies by August 31, 1988. The operator committed to supply such a report in the original approved Mining and Reclamation Plan (MRP). This is a serious concern, due to potential for leaching of deleterious materials from the slurry ponds into the groundwater system.                      To be submitted with Annual Report.

REORGANIZE CHAPTERS OF PERMIT AND  
ADDRESS OTHER MPTR STIPULATIONS

Required to be done by deadline for permit renewal. This could be done as part of, or as a stipulation to, permit transfer if the property is sold. August 10, 1989

SUBMIT RECLAMATION BOND RECALCULATION

This could be done as part of permit transfer if the property is sold. Optional

TDN'S

OSM TDN's X-88-02-107-3 - TV5, 2 of 5 issued April 27, 1988. Pertains to allowing undisturbed drainage onto the permit area in the coarse refuse and slurry pond areas. To date, OSM has accepted the Division's responses on these. However, they will be reviewed upon activation of the site. None Established

Compliance with all other requirements of the approved permit and UMC performance standards (field requirements).. Ongoing