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Sharon Falvey, Reclamation Hydrologist
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RE: PLAN AMENDMENT FOR WELLINGTON (N.O.V. N92-38-1-1)

Dear Sharon:

Enclosed please find an amendment to the MRP entitled "Refuse Pile Slope Stabilization and Erosion Protection" for the Wellington Coal Preparation Plant.

Since our meeting last week when you expressed more of your concerns about the refuse piles at Wellington, we have done as much as we could in an attempt to clarify some of the pile inconsistencies. For one thing, Greg Poole, Candy Manzanaras and myself have gone through all my files on the Wellington project area (a collection of nearly 10 large boxes of files, old MRP's and other information). We want to find USS's plan for these piles.

Candy has been going through all the files that are available to him (a room full, literally). We have also contacted the MSHA offices (explained in the amendment). I have talked informally to past DOGM people who were involved with the project earlier and the conception seemed to be that there was no environmental damage that could result from the piles - even if they did erode. Hazardous conditions, however, are another story.

Please review the amendment and let us know what you think. We will be more than happy to accommodate your requests in a reasonable and logical manner. Thank you for all your help.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Patrick D. Collins".

Patrick D. Collins, Ph.D.
Environmental Consultant

Enclosure

cc: Candido Manzanaras
Greg Poole