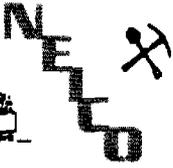
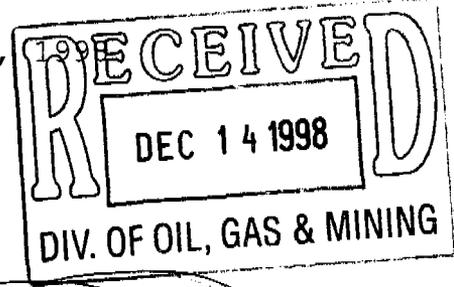


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December 8, 1998



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Division of Oil, Gas & Mining  
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**RE:** Postmining Land Use Change at Wellington (ACT/007/012)

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Dear Mr. Braxton:

The purpose of this letter is to provide you with a letter documenting our consent for a proposed postmining land use change and to comply with the State of Utah Coal Mining Rules (R645-301-400).

As the landowner of the property, NEICO is interested in changing the postmining land use in a portion of the permit area at the Wellington Preparation Plant. This change will be necessary to finalize a sale for this portion of the property to Andalex Resources. Andalex has proposed to use this property as an industrial area. A "Memorandum of Agreement" between Andalex and NEICO has been included in an amendment to the Mining and Reclamation Plan (December 1998) to the Division. Also included in that amendment was a map that delineates the area of the proposed land use change (see Map 412.01). NEICO is aware of the structures described in the amendment that will remain on-site for the industrial land use and concurs with the change to an industrial site.

Your help and cooperation to expedite these changes would be much appreciated. Please feel free to call me at (702)367-5675 or write if you have questions or comments about changes at the Wellington site.

Sincerely,

Dennis J. Schwehr

cc: Rick Collins

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