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Mr. James W. Smith, Jr.
Coordinator of Mine Land Development
State of Utah
Natural Resource and Energy
Oil, Gas and Mining
4241 State Office Building
Salt Lake City, Utah 84114

Re: Interim Bonds
Geneva Mine ACT/007/013
Wellington Preparation Plant
ACT/007/012

Dear Jim,

In response to your subject letter dated February 22, 1983 concerning Interim Bonding of our Geneva Mine and the Wellington Preparation Plant; we submit the following:

The cited portion of the Act pertaining to bonding (40-10-15) states that the applicant will submit a bond after the application has been approved but before the permit is issued. Regulation UMC 800.11 parallels 40-10-15 of the Act. We do not read any requirement by the Act or the Regulations referenced in your letter that requires Interim Bonding prior to approval of the Permit.

It is our understanding that the Permit applications for Geneva Mine and the Wellington Preparation Plant are being reviewed by the Division of Oil, Gas and Mining and have not been approved as of this date. It appears that your request for Interim Bonding is premature.

Will you please provide additional information as to the requirement of "Interim Bonding" by the Act or Regulations.

Sincerely,

Glenn H. Sides
Chief Engineer

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cc: Blair Gardner

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