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Dear Dr. Nielson:

The Office of Surface Mining Western Technical Center (OSM) has reviewed your letter of June 7, 1984, to Glenn Sides of U.S. Steel Mining Co., Inc, concerning temporary suspension of the reclamation permit for the Geneva mine. The Division's decision to temporarily suspend review of the permit based upon U.S. Steel's attempts to sell the mine seems reasonable, particularly since the mine operation has ceased. An approved permanent program permit is required before mine reclamation can begin.

To provide protection of the public in the event of bond forfeiture, and to discourage a prolonged corporate decision process, OSM suggests that the suspension granted by the Division not apply to the bonding requirements of UMC parts 800, 805, and 806. We encourage you to conduct a complete bond determination and implement the resulting bond requirements as soon as possible.

If you have any questions or comments, please contact Steve Manger or Louis Hamm at (303) 844-3806.

Sincerely,

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 Administrator  
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