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Reed Harris, Assistant Field Supervisor
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Salt Lake City, Utah 84115

Re: Section 7 Consultation on the Utah American Energy, Inc., Lila Canyon Mine application, ACT/007/013-SR98-1, Outgoing File

Dear Mr. Harris:

The purpose of this letter is to ensure that the Section 7 requirements of the Endangered Species Act have been met for the above-referenced project.

As you are aware, we are in the process of reviewing the permit application package for the Lila Canyon Mine. Because we thought we had received your concurrence on this project in your letter dated October 14, 2000, we proceeded with our review and anticipate issuing a permit in the near future. In order to do this we need to ensure that the Section 7 requirements have been met and request your concurrence to that effect. This project will still need to receive federal mine plan approval through the Office of Surface Mining.

Please call Paul Baker at 801-538-5261 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Daron R. Haddock".

Daron R. Haddock
Permit Supervisor