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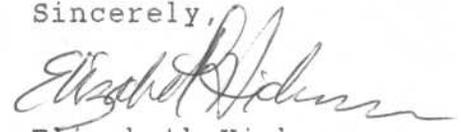
Mr. Dave Darby
Utah Division of Oil, Gas and Mining
1594 W. North Temple
Salt Lake City, Utah 84114-5801

Dear Mr Darby:

I am writing to ask you not to approve the application for the Lila Canyon Coal Mine. I ask this because the negative effects of this proposed mine have not yet been adequately evaluated. The displacement and probable death of a Big Horn Sheep herd is not acceptable, nor is the damage to the water resources that would unquestionably result from a coal mine. The damage to the water quality and quantity would negatively affect many plants and animals in the immediate area and down stream.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



Elizabeth Hickman

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