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Max J. Evans, Director  
Utah Division of State History  
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Salt Lake City, Utah 84101

Re: Lila Canyon Cultural Resources, Utah American Energy, Inc., Horse Canyon Mine, C/007/0103-SR98(1), Outgoing File

Dear Mr. Evans:

The Division of Oil, Gas and Mining is in the process of reviewing a significant revision for the Horse Canyon Mine called the Lila Canyon Tract. This proposal, although a revision to an existing mining and reclamation plan, includes plans for building new surface facilities and mining in about 4700 acres of federal coal leases that were not previously permitted.

The permit application package includes a cultural resources survey of the area that would be disturbed. This survey was done by Montgomery Archaeological Consultants under State of Utah Antiquities Permit No. U-98-MQ-0399b. The survey located one isolated find, a chert secondary flake which the consultant considered not to be eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places. The consultant recommended a determination of no effect. No other surface disturbance is planned at this time.

Based on the information provided, the Division of Oil, Gas and Mining also recommends there would be no effect on significant cultural resources. In order for us to proceed with the permitting process we need to receive your concurrence. Please let us know as soon as possible if you can agree with this determination.

Thank you for your help. If you have any questions, please call me at 801-538-5325 or Paul Baker at 801-538-5261.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Daron R. Haddock".

Daron R. Haddock  
Permit Supervisor