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Re: New Permit Application, Lila Canyon Extension, UtahAmerican Energy,  
Inc., Horse  
Canyon Mine C/007/013-PM02B.

*Enclosing  
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Dear People:

As a member of the Southern Utah Wilderness Alliance and a long-time hiker and camper in the Utah canyonlands, I want to thank you for recognizing the important geologic, hydrologic, and biologic resources of the Lila Canyon area, and the deficiencies of UtahAmerican Energy's application. I hope you will not consider future application submittals until the company has collected adequate biological information and a minimum of two-years of baseline hydrological data for all surface and underground water sources throughout the entire permit area, including the Range Creek drainage. Last but not least, please remember that the area in question is proposed for wilderness designation and is therefore inappropriate for mining development in the first place..

Sincerely,

*Judith Isaacs*  
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