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Mr. Dan Guy
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Dear ~~Mr.~~ Dan Guy:

Re: Approval of Time Extension for Division Order (Highwalls and Postmining Land Use, Beaver Creek Coal Company (Mountain Coal Company), Gordon Creek #2, #7, & #8 Mine, ACT/007/016-DO-91A, Folder #3, Carbon County, Utah

The meeting held at the Division on July 11, 1991 with you, Lowell P. Braxton, Pamela Grubaugh-Littig, and myself, outlined the backfilling and grading reclamation issues at the Gordon Creek #2, #7, & #8 Mine. Your letter of request for an extension of 120 days stated that reconsideration of the postmining land use in concert with the backfilling and grading plan (specifically at the #7 Mine) will take time to be resolved. The evaluation of the change in postmining land use and further stability studies at the #7 Mine justify this time extension.

As discussed during the meeting, the #2 Mine is pre-law and will require quantitative data to document insufficient backfill material. The plan for the #8 Mine will be changed to meet approximate original contour. However, the new proposal for the #7 Mine would designate pad area (i.e., a sheep staging area for the surface owner). The #7 Mine area should also have further stability analyses done.