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Mr. Lowell Braxton
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Re: Request for Extension
Revised Mine Plan
Gordon Creek No. 2/7/8 Mines
ACT/007/016
Carbon County, Utah #2

Dear Mr. Braxton:

Pursuant to our phone conversation of 12/8/92, this letter is a request to extend the submittal of the revised reclamation plan for the Gordon Creek No. 2/7/8 Mines to February 1, 1993. The original planned submittal date was December 18, 1992 as noted under Item 5 of the agreement letter of August 17, 1992 from Dianne Nielson to Scot Anderson.

The request for extension has become necessary due to a number of reasons unforeseen at that time:

(a) The sale of Trail Mountain Mine to Pacificorp. This has taken a great deal of my time, and the timing was such that the start of the 2/7/8 plan revision was delayed;

(b) Trail Mountain Mine Mid-Term Review and Division Orders were both received after the announcement of the sale; however, these had to be addressed by Mountain Coal company since the permit was still in our name;

(c) The closure and final move from the Price Office was also occurring at time of the sale. This was also a very time consuming operation, since most of our employees were involved in cleaning out the mine or had been laid off;

(d) Perhaps the most important reason for requesting the extension is to allow time to rewrite the hydrology section before turning it over to a consultant for final analysis. The present plan consists of 3 separate submittals and is very confusing. Rather than burden a

hydrology consultant with the problem of sorting it out (sight unseen) I felt it best to consolidate the plan and then have the consultant review it and make any necessary corrections or additions.

The proposed extension will allow time for a more complete review and rewrite of the plan. I have reviewed the dates in the August 17, 1992 "agreement" letter, and I propose the following date changes for items 5 and 6:

Item 5 - "Mountain Coal shall submit to the Division a revised reclamation plan reflecting the resolution of issues raised or resulting from the Division Orders no later than February 1, 1993.

Item 6 - "Given a complete and accurate application, the Division shall approve that reclamation plan by no later than June 1, 1993."

All other dates in the agreement letter will remain the same, and the above schedule will allow adequate time to acquire contractors to finish the reclamation in the 1993 field season. It should be noted that Items 1 through 4 have been complied with as agreed.

I hope this proposal meets with your approval, and I appreciate your cooperation. If you have any questions, or need any further information, please let me know.

Respectfully,

Dan W. Guy

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Manager Permitting/Compliance

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