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Re: Mountain Coal Company
Bryner Canyon Reclamation - Jacob's Pond
SE¼SW¼ Section 18, T13S, R8E, SLB&M

Dear Dave:

On September 9, 1997, I inspected Jacob's Pond which is within the reclaimed area in Bryner Canyon. The pond is in good condition and appears to be functioning very well considering the heavy rainfall this area has experienced during the past few weeks. The only area of concern I had was with the spillway. It appeared that the reservoir had spilled in the last few days, and a majority of the small cobble rock that were in the spillway had been washed downstream a short distance.

After returning from the inspection, I visited with Mr. Dan Guy of Blackhawk Engineering, who has oversight responsibility for the reclamation work, and he assured me that the spillway bottom and sides are lined with the same size angular rock that was used in all of the channel work. This rock has been covered with silt as a result of all the heavy rains. This being the case, I believe the reservoir will function properly as designed, with some periodic maintenance.

If you have any other questions concerning this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Mark P. Page

pc: Dan Guy - Blackhawk Engineering

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