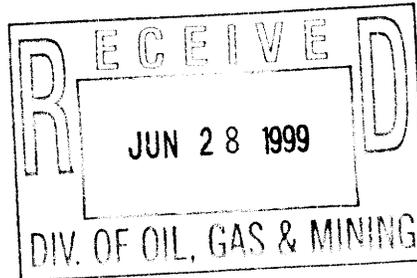




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ACT/007/016 #2
Copy Pam,
Dave

Re: **Repair/Maintenance Work**
Gordon Creek No. 2/7/8 Mines
ACT/007/016
Carbon County, Utah

Dear Ms. Littig:

This letter is to inform the Division of our intent to perform additional repair work, as well as maintenance work, on the Gordon Creek No. 2/7/8 minesite. The work will be done in accordance with our operation plan, and will require the use of a backhoe as well as hand labor.

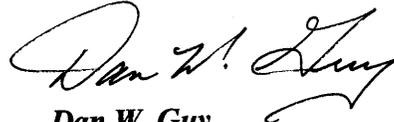
The purpose of the work will be to repair minor damage to the fence, access trail and ditches caused by what appears to be illegal entry into the site by others. The repairs and maintenance requirements were discussed with Mr. Dave Darby during his inspection on 06/17/99. The work will consist of the following items:

- 1) *Reclaimed ditch SD-5 will be cleaned out and graded to eliminate potential for runoff to overtop or flow out of the ditch. Recent vehicle traffic has flattened the sides of the ditch and reduced the depth at the crossing;*
- 2) *Vehicle tracks along the access trail will be scarified as needed to reduce water flow and potential for rutting;*
- 3) *A small berm and/or ditch will be placed across the road/access trail at the lower fence, to divert runoff from the reclaimed road area into the upper sediment pond cell;*
- 4) *Large rocks will be replaced across the access trail to prevent further vehicle access into the reclaimed area;*

- 5) *Fence repairs will be made as needed;*
- 6) *Rock gabions along the county road will be cleaned and reconstructed as needed.*

The work is scheduled to be completed by July 15, 1999. The Phase I Bond Release Application will be re-submitted shortly after completion of the work and required map revisions. If you have any questions or concerns, please let me know.

Respectfully,



*Dan W. Guy
for
Chris Hansen*

*cc: Phil Schmidt
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