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Dear Mr. Haddock:

Enclosed are revised pages for the Soldier Creek Coal Company Exploration Permit Amendment which was originally submitted to the Division on October 1, 1991. These pages contain information which is intended to respond to deficiencies in the original submittal.

The issues specifically addressed are:

Map 201.223b must show the disturbed area in acres. Map 201.223b must show the location of the Sweet canyon vetch. This map has been revised to show the additional information requested.

The credentials of Mr. Bob Thompson must be identified. Since Mr. Thompson does not have letterhead as was requested, the amendment now contains a statement that Mr. Thompson has a degree in botany and has over 30 years of experience in the field of botany. Ms. Susan White of the Division may provide a professional reference for Mr. Thompson.

During construction 12 to 15 inches of topsoil must be salvaged and stored. As-built plans must state total yardage salvaged. The amendment now states that 12 to 15 inches of topsoil will be salvaged and stored in Soldier Creek's permanent topsoil storage site. A commitment is also made to state the amount of topsoil salvaged in an as-built plan and narrative. The road and drill pads will be staked prior to construction.

A deadline for determining whether to proceed or abandon the project must be provided. The amendment now contains a deadline for determining whether to proceed with the project or not. Also a deadline is given by which reclamation is to be accomplished if the decision is made to not proceed. The reclamation deadline was established giving consideration to winter weather during which reclamation activities should not be performed.

Soldier Creek must commit to reclaim the site according to the procedures established in the MRP. The amendment now contains such a commitment.

The only other stipulation is that the additional disturbed area of the site must be added to the Reclamation Agreement. The bonding company has been contacted and the revision of the bond is in progress. It is anticipated that upon receipt of the revised Reclamation Agreement approval will be given for this project to proceed.

Your help and patience in this project are really appreciated.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Barry Barnum", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Barry J. Barnum