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Price, Utah 84501

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DIVISION OF
OIL GAS & MINING

Mr. Darrel Haddock
Utah Division of Oil, Gas and Mining
355 West North Temple
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Salt Lake City, Utah 84180-1203

Re: Surface Facilities and Road Relocation
Soldier Creek Coal Company
ACT/007/018-91-1

Dear Mr. Haddock:

To follow up on a recent telephone conversation you had with Mark Mackiewicz of our staff, we offer the following comments. On April 26, 1991, we amended right-of-way grant UTU-62044 issued to Carbon County. This amendment authorized Carbon County to realign an existing county road to facilitate Soldier Creek Coal Company's mine expansion project. As you are aware, Soldier Creek Coal Company was required to comply with all of your regulations before we approved this change. With this change, we authorized the county to move the road back to its present location upon cessation of mining operations.

We are aware that Soldier Creek Coal Company may have to cross Questar Pipeline Company's transmission line in the process of completing their expansion and portal project. They received approval from Questar in the form of a license agreement. We have no problem with this action on behalf of the two companies. Since the right to utilize all property located on public lands outside of the road right-of-way is authorized through Soldier Creek's coal lease, additional authorizations from BLM are not required.

We have reviewed the project indepth and at this time have no additional comments. If you have any comments or concerns, please feel free to contact Mark Mackiewicz of my staff at 637-4584.

Sincerely yours,

Mark E. Bailey
Area Manager