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OIL GAS & MINING

Re: Technical Deficiency Review Response
Soldier Canyon Mine, ACT/007/018

Dear Mr. Haddock:

Attached please find ten copies of our response to the Technical Deficiency Review listed in your letter dated January 28, 1992. Also enclosed are Permit Insertion Instructions and a Technical Deficiency Review Outline.

Due to the severe reduction in our work force on March 30, it has been physically impossible to make a complete response at this time. This reduction included 80 percent of my engineering staff. Included in this cutback was our Environmental Coordinator, Johnny Pappas. Presently, I am the only one working on permit and environmental issues.

At this time I would like to request a four month extension for the submittal of the remaining "Technical Deficiencies". Due to the fact that the majority of the deficiencies are requiring clarification and are not jeopardizing the integrity of the MRP, it is felt that this extension is justified. During this period additional material would be submitted to the Division as it becomes available.

Your cooperation during this time of extreme hardship is greatly appreciated. Please contact me if you need clarification on any of the material that is included in this submittal.

Sincerely,

SOLDIER CREEK COAL COMPANY



J. T. Paluso
Chief Engineer

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TECHNICAL DEFICIENCY REVIEW OUTLINE

RESPONSE COMPLETENESS AS PER TECHNICAL DEFICIENCY REVIEW DATED
JANUARY 27, 1992

R645-301-131

1. Not completed.
2. Not completed.

R645-301-221

1. Completed and submitted on 03/11/92.

R645-301-222

1. Revised Illustration (Appendix 10) and incorporated SCS information on No. 3 Fan site as Illustration 10.6.3-3. Volumes of topsoil stored from No. 3 Fan project placed at the Topsoil Storage Site are shown on pages 2-6, 2-35, 2-39, Exhibit 5.21-2, and Figures 2 & 3.
2. Revised page 2-3, Section 2.22 second paragraph.
3. Revised pages 2-1 and 2-3.
4. Not completed.

R645-301-222.400

1. Revised page 3-22 and page 5 of Appendix 3-B Volume II.
2. Map is already provided. See Volume VI Drawing D-299.

R645-301-234

1. Revised Exhibits 5.21-1 and 3.7-2, submitted on 03/11/92.
2. Revised page 2-24 and made page 2-24a. Also revised page 2-29.
3. We committed to "The depth and quantity of samples will be determined with the Division's assistance, prior to commencement of the reclamation activities". This is covered on page 2-24 and 2-24a.

R645-301-224

1. Revised page 2-26 to eliminate verbiage referring to crib wall test plct.
2. Revised Map 5.21-1.
3. Revised page 2-32.
4. Revised page 2-29.
5. Revised page 2-29 and is also addressed on page 2-24a.
6. Revised page 2-29.

Response Completeness

Page 2

R645-301-230

1. Topsoil locations are shown on Exhibit 5.21-1. The yardages are shown on page 2-29.
2. New Topsoil Storage Site Figures 2 & 3 in Appendix 2-E.
3. Figure 2 & 3 Appendix 2-E, Exhibit 5.21-2, and pages 2-35 & 2-39.
4. Stated on page 2-36.

R645-301-242

1. Exhibit 5.21-1 and page 2-29.
2. Revised pages 5-45 and 5-46.
3. Revised pages 2-24, 2-24a, and 2-29.