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RE: Placement of a Mobile Screening Unit, Soldier Creek Coal Company, Soldier Canyon Mine, ACT/007/018, Carbon County, Utah

Dear Daron:

Soldier Creek Coal Company (SC³) propose to amend its permit, to allow placement of a mobile screening unit to screen run-of-mine coal at the mine site. This activity will not replace Banning, but will allow SC³ to become more competitive in bidding for smaller local contracts where screened coal can be transported from the mine site to the customer.

Presently, we have a small 6 month contract with Utah Power, whereby we propose to screen the coal at the mine site and transport it directly to the power plant. This activity will reduce the costs incurred in hauling the coal to Banning for screening, and then reloading the trucks for haulage to the power plant.

I contacted Don Robinson (Permit Supervisor) with Air Quality, and he stated that the verbiage in our new air quality Approval Order allows SC³ to have screens at the mine site. Therefore, he sees no problem with use placing a mobile screening unit at the mine. I have also written a letter to him, requesting a written approval from Air Quality for our records and incorporation into our permit.

Enclosed, please find page replacements for pages 5-33, 5-35 and a new page 5-39a. Also enclosed is Exhibit 5.21-1a, that shows the approximate location for the screener and screened coal stockpile. This revised exhibit, should replace the existing copy and satisfy Priscilla Burton's permit renewal deficiency regarding exhibit 5.21-1a. As stated in our MRP, all support facilities incident to the operation of the Soldier Canyon Mine will be operated in accordance with the permit issued for the mine.

The Division's cooperation in reviewing and approving this amendment in a timely fashion would be greatly appreciated. SC³ is scheduled to begin transporting coal to Utah Power next week, therefore a timely response is urgently needed. If you have any questions or need additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

SOLDIER CREEK COAL COMPANY



Johnny Pappas
Environmental Coordinator

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Enclosures