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Mr. Rick Olsen, President  
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Re: Newly Formatted Mine Plan, Completion of Division Order #93A, Approval of Amendment 92E, Soldier Creek Coal Company, Soldier Canyon Mine, ACT/007/018, Folder #3, Carbon County, Utah

Dear Mr. Olsen:

The Division has received your responses to deficiencies which were identified in your newly formatted Mining and Reclamation Plan during the Permit Renewal Process. The responses are considered appropriate for incorporation into your MRP and are hereby approved as part of your plan. This does not necessarily mean that all of the deficiencies have been completely resolved. We are continuing to review your responses and will inform you of any outstanding issues. Your submittals to date and your commitment to correct the outstanding deficiencies satisfies the requirements of Division Order #92A. The Division Order is hereby considered completed.

We need to move forward and want to establish that your new plan (January 92), with the updated responses to deficiencies, is now the approved plan and will be the one you will be held to. Submittals received September 8, 1992, March 29, 1993, and June 9, 1993 are accepted and are approved for incorporation into your plan.

A few deficiencies that have been identified at this time are listed below.

1. For clarity, the no-secondary mining zone should be shown on Exhibit 5.21-4.
2. The MRP does not contain documentation that permission has been received from all surface owners to conduct coal mining and reclamation activities in the subsidence buffer zone.



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3. Incorporating the Questar pipeline right-of-way within areas of maximum subsidence and the subsidence buffer zone on Exhibit 5.25-1 and Figure 5.25-1 does not accurately represent the mine plan and the current limitations on full extraction mining.
4. Figure 5.25-1 is not listed in the "List of Figures" in the Contents section.

You should provide a response to these remaining deficiencies as quickly as possible. Any other problems in your plan will be dealt with as they are identified.

Thank you for your cooperation during the permitting process. Please call if you have any questions.

Sincerely



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