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Mr. Jackson W. Moffit
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136 East South Temple
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Dear Mr. Moffit:

This is in response to comments by the Bureau of Land Management regarding Emergency Coal Lease No. U-52341. In a memo from the BLM to the Office of Surface Mining dated August 24, 1984, the BLM questions whether mineable coal exists within this lease other than in the Gilson Seam.

Although the Lower Sunnyside Seam occurs over this emergency lease, it is less than four feet in thickness and therefore not economically recoverable according to available technology. Consequently Tower has plans to conduct mining operations only in the Gilson Seam.

If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact this office.

Sincerely,

Allen D. Emmel
Environmental Coordinator

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cc: Susan Linner (DOGM)
Dave Maxwell (OSM)

8-3-84

Jeff Clawson,

check maps (isopach-coal) submitted with R2 P2 you have on file - call me.

*Thanks Boyd
maps checked by J.C. - verified second paragraph in letter above.*

JMC