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Steve K. Tanner
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Re: Blazon Mine, INA/007/021, Folder #2, Carbon County, Utah

Dear Mr. Tanner:

I am writing to follow up on my letter to you of September 15th concerning the Blazon Mine. I indicated to you in that letter that the Division may have the ability to utilize funding from the Abandoned Mine Program to supplement the funds we now hold to reclaim the Blazon Mine site. There remains a question of interpretation of the federal rule which we have asked the Office of Surface Mining (OSM) to resolve with Department of Interior Solicitor's input.

Nevertheless, the Division has proposed legislation for consideration and adoption by the Utah Legislature in its 1994 session to amend the Utah Coal Regulatory Program to take maximum advantage of the recent federal regulatory changes.

Whatever the outcome of our legislative effort and the Department of Interior interpretation, I have directed the staff of the Coal Regulatory Program and the Abandoned Mine Program to prepare to commence additional reclamation activities at the Blazon Mine site next spring. I will keep you informed as we receive additional information and interpretation concerning these matters.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'James W. Carter', written over a large, stylized circular flourish.

James W. Carter
Director

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