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Mr. Robert Williams
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Dear Mr. Williams:

RE: Permit Application, Soldier Creek Coal Company, Banning Siding Loadout, Folder #2, ACT/007/034, Carbon County, Utah

The referenced permit application states that the only listed threatened or endangered species that have potential to inhabit the general area of the Banning Loadout are the black-footed ferret, bald eagle and peregrine falcon and that none of these species has been observed within or adjacent to the permit area.

In correspondence dated February 3, 1988, Robert Ruesink stated that areas of wildlife concern to the Fish and Wildlife Service are adequately addressed within the plan and that no need was found to provide any further comments. Neither the plan nor the Fish and Wildlife Service letter specifically mentions threatened or endangered plants which could occur in the area of this operation.

Could you please supply us with a listing of candidate and listed threatened or endangered species which could potentially be affected by the operation of the loadout? It is located within Sections 15, 16 and 22 of Township 15 South Range 12 East SLB&M near the junction of U. S. Highway 6/50 and S. R. 123.

Thank you for you attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Daron R. Haddock

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Permit Supervisor