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August 25, 1998

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Thru: Joe Helfrich, Permit Supervisor, Compliance *JH*

From: Wm. J. Malencik, Reclamation Specialist *WJM*

RE: Exploration Drilling, Sunnyside Cogeneration Associates, Sunnyside Refuse/Slurry, ACT/007/035, Folder #2, Carbon County, Utah

You are correct and I agree with your interpretation that the Mining and Reclamation Plan language is adequate and provides a standing approval together with the environmental safeguards for the proposed limited drilling. The two submissions both dated August 21, 1998, by Scott Carlson provide supportive information in addition to the field observations made by Malencik, which are summarized below.

Proposal

Drill four to eight holes with appropriate sampling adjacent to the former Sunnyside Coal Company, non-coal waste storage area for a determination whether or not a potential problem exists. The drill holes will be 70-80 feet in depth.

Description of the Drill Sites

All drill sites lie within the Sunnyside Cogen permitted disturbed area.

In addition, the following observations and conclusions were made by the undersigned based on a field examination dated August 24, 1998.

- No topsoil will be impacted by this project.
- No vegetation will be impacted by this project.
- No road, pad, or other site development will be required.
- No additional diversions or other hydrologic additions are necessary since the current approved control measures adequately treat the runoff from the proposed sites.



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-No additional bonding is necessary since the drill sites lie within the existing bonded area.

Approval and Conditions, My Recommendations

Your proposal of August 21, 1998, together with attachment is hereby approved subject to the following:

- Notify Bill Malencik, DOGM Inspector, before, and the date drilling will take place.
- Provide the Division of Oil, Gas, and Mining a copy of all the sampling laboratory results. Send the lab results to Joe Helfrich, Division Oil, Gas, and Mining, 1594 West North Temple, Suite 1210, Box 145801, Salt Lake City, Utah 84114-5801.
- Drill procedures must conform to the Utah Administrative Rules for Well Drilling (Appendix 6-4).
- Abandonment and sealing of wells will be in accordance with Rule 12 (Appendix 4).
- Drilling will be accomplished by a licensed driller.

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cc: Scott Carlson, Psomas, SLC
Rusty Netz, Sunnyside Cogeneration, East Carbon
Files: Proposal, August 21, 1998
Drilling Plan, August 21, 1998