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Mr. Steve Demczak
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Division of Oil, Gas and Mining
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RE: BLACKHAWK EXPLORATION PERMIT MODIFICATION REQUEST

Dear Mr. Demczak,

Please accept this letter and map as a request to modify the Blackhawk Exploration permit to remove the areas overlapped by the Castle Gate Coal Waste Removal Project.

The previous exploration permit modifications included opening the old Castle Gate No. 2 Mine tram tunnels, drilling geotechnical test holes, and one coal exploration hole. This modification reduces the disturbed area by 1.76 acres. The areas shown in blue on the attached map are the areas overlapped. The area previously proposed as Tram Road Access Cut Material Storage Area was not needed since there was no cut material removed from the road cut area.

As indicated in my letter of September 24, 1995, we will reclaim the portal areas associated with the original exploration permit this season weather permitting.

The geotechnical drill hole access roads and sites have been revegetated and cannot be distinguished from the surrounding area. The other areas will be incorporated into the Willow Creek Mine permit area or will be reclaimed.

Please let me know if there is anything further I need to provide.

Respectfully,

Ben Grimes
Sr. Staff Project Engineer

Enclosure

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