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Johnny Pappas, Senior Environmental Engineer
Plateau Mining Company
847 Northwest Highway 191
Helper, Utah 84526

Re: Approval of Minor Coal Exploration Plan, Plateau Mining Corporation, Willow Creek Mine, ACT/007/038-99F, File #2, Carbon County, Utah

Dear Mr. Pappas:

The Division has completed our review of your recent application to conduct minor coal exploration at the Willow Creek Mine. The application to drill two exploration holes on the hillside SE of the Willow Creek drainage between Dry Canyon and Mathis Canyon is hereby approved..

We have enclosed a copy of the technical analysis for your information and files. Please ensure that you follow your plan and the performance standards for exploration while completing this project. If you have any questions please call me or Pete Hess.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Daron R. Haddock".

Daron R. Haddock
Permit Supervisor

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Enclosure

cc: Price Field Office

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