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Re: AmWest Exploration Company, MSHA ID-42-02113, Willow Creek Mine, C/007/038, Carbon County, Utah

Dear Ms. Grubaugh-Littig:

Plateau Mining Corporation (PMC) is notifying the Division that AmWest Exploration Company (AEC) is the MSHA operator of the Willow Creek Mine for the mine recovery operation. PMC is still the operator of the Willow Creek Mine for Permit C/007/038.

Any change in the operator for Permit C/007/038 will be in accordance with the Utah R645 Coal Rules. The recovery of the Willow Creek Mine is the first step of many before a decision is made to reopen the mine and transfer Permit C/007/038 to AEC.

The Division will be kept informed as the recovery operations progress. If you have any questions or need additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me at (435) 472-4741.

Sincerely,

Johnny Pappas
Sr. Environmental Engineer

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