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November 8, 2001

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*Incoming*  
C/007/038 - AM01D-3

**Re: Power Line Transfer, Response to Technical Analysis, Plateau Mining Corporation, Willow Creek Mine, C/007/038-AM01D-2, Carbon County, Utah**

Dear Ms. Grubaugh-Littig:

Plateau Mining Corporation (PMC) is submitting its response to the Division's October 2001 Technical Analysis regarding the aforementioned.

The identified deficiencies are provided below along with PMC's response.

**R645-301-121.120**, *A map or description clearly shows or describes the precise location and boundaries of the proposed permit area. The permittee will also need to update the legal description within the Willow Creek Permit. Chapter one will need to be updated*

The Permittee has included a legal description of the transmission line from Sowbelly Canyon to Crandall Canyon on page 2.1-12 and affixed a legend to Figure 4.5-13 denoting the utility corridor as the permit area. The Figure is certified by a P.E.

**R645-301-800**, *The permittee must calculate the cost of reclamation of the power line corridor and update the bonding section in the Mining and Reclamation Plan to reflect the additional cost.*

A bond cost is being provided for the Division's review. The bond cost is \$46,912.00, which is less than the 5% whereby a bond rider would be required. The current Willow Creek bond is \$11,949,205. Five percent of the current bond is \$597,460.00.

However, it would be prudent to add this bond cost to the Willow Creek Mine reclamation amendment C/007/038-AM01B, so that it is accounted for in the new bond. This would increase the new bonding requirements under C/007/038-AM01B of \$7,866,000 to around \$7,913,000.

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Due to the text modification required to add the transmission line legal description on page 2.1-12, pages 2.1-13 through 2.1-19 are being submitted herewith for continuity purposes. The Table of Contents is also amended to account for the repagination of the text.

Hopefully, PMC has adequately addressed the Division's findings, but should the Division have any questions or need additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me and (435) 472-4741.

Sincerely,



Johnny Pappas  
Sr. Environmental Engineer

Enclosures

## APPLICATION FOR PERMIT PROCESSING

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Permit Change	<input type="checkbox"/> New Permit	<input type="checkbox"/> Renewal	<input type="checkbox"/> Transfer	<input type="checkbox"/> Exploration	<input type="checkbox"/> Bond Release	Permit Number: C/007/038
Title of Proposal: Willow Creek Mine, Power Line Transfer, Response to Technical Analysis C/007/038-AM01D-2, October 2001						Mine: Willow Creek Mine
						Permittee: Plateau Mining Corp.

Description, include reason for application and timing required to implement:

**Instructions:** If you answer yes to any of the first 8 questions (gray), submit the application to the Salt Lake Office. Otherwise, you may submit it to your reclamation specialist.

<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	1. Change in the size of the Permit Area? _____ acres Disturbed Area? _____ acres <input type="checkbox"/> increase <input type="checkbox"/> decrease.
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	2. Is the application submitted as a result of a Division Order? DO # _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	3. Does application include operations outside a previously identified Cumulative Hydrologic Impact Area?
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	4. Does application include operations in hydrologic basins other than as currently approved?
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	5. Does application result from cancellation, reduction or increase of insurance or reclamation bond?
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	6. Does the application require or include public notice/publication?
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	7. Does the application require or include ownership, control, right-of-entry, or compliance information?
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	8. Is proposed activity within 100 feet of a public road or cemetery or 300 feet of an occupied dwelling?
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	9. Is the application submitted as a result of a Violation? NOV # _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	10. Is the application submitted as a result of other laws or regulations or policies? Explain: _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	11. Does the application affect the surface landowner or change the post mining land use?
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	12. Does the application require or include underground design or mine sequence and timing? (Modification of R2P2?)
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	13. Does the application require or include collection and reporting of any baseline information?
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	14. Could the application have any effect on wildlife or vegetation outside the current disturbed area?
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	15. Does application require or include soil removal, storage or placement?
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	16. Does the application require or include vegetation monitoring, removal or revegetation activities?
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	17. Does the application require or include construction, modification, or removal of surface facilities?
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	18. Does the application require or include water monitoring, sediment or drainage control measures?
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	19. Does the application require or include certified designs, maps, or calculations?
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	20. Does the application require or include subsidence control or monitoring?
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	21. Have reclamation costs for bonding been provided for?
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	22. Does application involve a perennial stream, a stream buffer zone or discharges to a stream?
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	23. Does the application affect permits issued by other agencies or permits issued to other entities?

Attach 3 complete copies of the application.

I hereby certify that I am a responsible official of the applicant and that the information contained in this application is true and correct to the best of my information and belief in all respects with the laws of Utah in reference to commitments, undertakings, and obligations, herein. (R645-301-123)

*[Signature]* - JOHNNY PAPPAS - Sr. Env. Engineer - 11/8/02  
Signed Name - Position - Date

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 8 day of November, 2001.

*[Signature]*  
Notary Public  
My Commission Expires: 1/20, 2002  
Attest: STATE OF UTAH  
COUNTY OF CARBON



**NOTARY PUBLIC**  
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