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TO: Deon Haddock **DATE:** 7/7/03

DEPT: _____ **PAGES:** 26
 (INCLUDING THIS COVER SHEET)

FROM: J. Pappo

FAX No.: _____

SUBJECT: Crandall Canyon Shaft Backfilling ^{Permit} Change & Plan

COMMENTS:

Deon,
Per our conversation, attached is the permit
change. I will hand deliver a copy to the
PFO and 4 copies are in the mail to you.

Thanks for everything!!

J

File in: C0070038, 2003, Incoming

- Refer to:
- Confidential
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July 7, 2003

Mr. Daron R. Haddock
Utah Division of Oil, Gas and Mining
1594 West North Temple, Suite 1210
P.O. Box 145801
Salt Lake City, Utah 84114-5801

Re: Revised Reclamation Plan for Backfilling of the Crandall Canyon Shafts, Plateau Mining Corporation, Willow Creek Mine, C/007/038, Carbon County, Utah

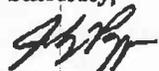
Dear Mr. Haddock:

Plateau Mining Corporation (PMC) would like to thank the Division for its assistance in facilitating the timely backfilling of the Crandall Canyon shafts. As we discussed during our January 10 meeting, the enclosed revision is contingent upon MSHA first authorizing PMC to remove the existing caps and then backfill the shafts in a safe manner.

The approved MSHA shaft backfilling plan is made part of the aforementioned permit change. The Plan addresses monitoring of the methane prior to cap removal, ventilation of the shafts and immediate mine workings, continuous methane monitoring of the environment during backfilling activities, backfilling the shafts simultaneously with the spoil material generated during the sinking of the shafts, and use of boulders and broken concrete from adjacent facility foundations in the backfilling process.

The removal of the backfilling material will be done judiciously to prevent the potential for commingling of disturbed with undisturbed runoff. If you have any questions or need additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,



Johnny Pappas
Sr. Environmental Engineer

Enclosures

File: Willow Creek Mine - Crandall Canyon Shafts
Chron.: JP030702.hr

Permit Change New Permit Renewal Exploration Bond Release Transfer

Permittee: Plateau Mining Corporation

Mine: Willow Creek Mine

Permit Number: C/007/038

Title: Crandall Canyon Shaft Backfilling Plan as approved by MSHA

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

Backfilling of shafts to be done immediately to appease BLM 's Salt Lake Office

Instructions: If you answer yes to any of the first eight (gray) questions, this application may require Public Notice publication.

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

Please attach four (4) review copies of the application. If the mine is on or adjacent to Forest Service land please submit five (5) copies, thank you. (These numbers include a copy for the Price Field Office)

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.

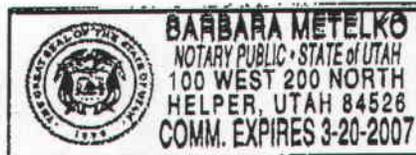
JOHNNY PAPAS
Print Name

[Signature] - Sr. Envr. Engineer - 7/7/03
Sign Name, Position, Date

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 7 day of July, 2003

Barbara Metelko
Notary Public

My commission Expires: March 20, 2007
Attest: State of Utah) ss:
County of Carbon



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