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April 22, 2005

Mr. Dennis Ware
Plateau Mining Corporation
P.O. Box 30
Helper, Utah 84526

Subject: Reconnaissance Inspection - Willow Creek Mine

Dear Mr. Ware:

On April 20, 2005 I conducted a reconnaissance inspection in regards to the UPDES Permit No. UTG040012 since I was already in the area. Specifically I observed the one remaining discharge point, dry sediment pond and the reclaimed landscaping, as well as a visual tour of the former mining operations and receiving waters.

Enclosed is a copy of the inspection reports for your records. If you have any questions, please contact me at (801) 538-6779 or by e-mail at jstudenka@utah.gov.

Sincerely,

Jeff Studenka, Environmental Scientist
Permits & Compliance Section

Enclosures

cc (w/encl): Darcy O'connor, EPA Region VIII
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Dave Ariotti, SE District Engineer
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NPDES Compliance Inspection Report

Section A: National Data System Coding

Transaction Code	NPDES	Yr/Mo/Day	Inspection Type	Inspector	Fac Type
1 [N]	2 []	3 [U][T][G][0][4][0][0][1][2]	11 12 [0][5][0][4][2][0]	17 18 [R]	19 [S] 20 [2]
Remarks					
21 []					66
Reserved	Facility Evaluation Rating	BI	QA	-----Reserved-----	
67 []	70 [4]	71 [N]	72 [N]	73 []	75 [] 80

Section B: Facility Data

Name and Location of Facility Inspected PLATEAU MINING CORP. WILLOW CREEK MINE, HELPER, UT		Entry Time 1:15 PM	Permit Effective Date 05-01-2003
		Exit Time/Date 1:30 PM/4-20-05	Permit Expiration Date 04-30-2008
Name(s) of On-Site Representative(s) N/A	Title(s)	Phone No(s)	
Name, Address of Responsible Official Dennis Ware Plateau Mining Corp. Willow Creek Mine P.O. Box 30 Helper, UT 84526	Title Controller and Administrative Manager	Phone No. 435-472-4737	Contacted No

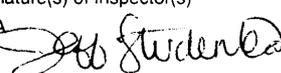
Section C: Areas Evaluated During Inspection

(S = Satisfactory, M = Marginal, U = Unsatisfactory, N = Not Evaluated)

S	Permit	N	Flow Measurement	N	Pretreatment	S	Operations & Maintenance
S	Records/Reports	N	Laboratory	N	Compliance Schedules	N	Sludge Disposal
S	Facility Site Review	S	Effluent/Receiving Water	S	Self-Monitoring Program		Other:

Section D: Summary of Findings/Comments (Attach additional sheets if necessary)

The purpose for the site visit was to perform a reconnaissance inspection while in the area. The mining operations have been shut down for a number of years now and all but one of the discharge points (OO1A) have been reclaimed. A tour of the facility included observing the reclaimed landscaping and the outfall 001A (sedimentation pond) followed by the receiving waters of Willow Creek. It is unlikely that outfall 001A will discharge in the foreseeable future and all other outfalls have been inactivated due to the reclamation. There were no deficiencies observed during the inspection.

Name(s) and Signature(s) of Inspector(s) JEFF STUDENKA 	Agency/Office/Telephone (801) 538-6779 DIVISION OF WATER QUALITY	Date 4-22-05
N/A	N/A	Date
Signature of Reviewer MIKE HERKIMER, MANAGER  PERMITS & COMPLIANCE SECTION	Agency/Office (801) 538-6058 DIVISION OF WATER QUALITY	Date 4/22/05

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Action Taken	Date	Compliance Status Noncompliance Compliance
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