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James Dykman
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300 Rio Grande
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Re: Proposal to Add a Federal Lease, Canyon Fuel Company, Dugout Canyon Mine, ACT/007/039-SR99A, Folder #2, Carbon County, Utah

Dear Mr. Dykman:

The Division has received, a proposal by Canyon Fuel Company to add Federal Lease U07064-02781 to their permit for the Dugout Canyon Mine. We have determined the application to be administratively complete and will need to receive your concurrence before we are able to issue a permit for this area. A copy of the proposal is available in our office.

The proposal is for underground mining only; there would be no surface disturbance. The current mining and reclamation plan for the Soldier Canyon Mine contains a 1980 cultural resources inventory that included the proposed addition to the permit area. Not all of the area was examined for cultural resources. Instead, the survey concentrated on those areas where prehistoric or historic activities were most probably concentrated, particularly in the canyons.

The cultural resource survey located one isolated artifact and one historical site. The historical site is the Pace Canyon Mine, and it was determined to not be eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places. Based on this information, we do not believe the proposed action would negatively affect significant cultural resources.

We are currently reviewing the plan and request your comments/concurrence by December 6, 1999. If you have any questions on this plan change or need further information, please call me at (801) 538-5325, Pam Grubaugh-Littig at (801)538-5268, or Paul Baker at (801) 538-5261.

Sincerely,

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

Daron R. Haddock
Permit Supervisor