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Ranvir Singh
Office of Surface Mining
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Re: West Ridge Mine Permit Application, Andalex Resources, Inc., West Ridge Mine, PRO/007/041-98A, Folder #2, Carbon County, Utah

Dear Mr. Singh:

This letter is to notify you that Andalex Resources, Inc. has made application for a new coal mine (West Ridge Mine) with operations to be conducted in C Canyon approximately 10 miles north of Sunnyside, Utah. The Division has completed an initial review of the West Ridge Mine Permit Application Package (PAP). The purpose of this review was to determine the Administrative Completeness of the application or in other words determine if the application contains all information necessary to initiate processing and public review. The application is now considered to be administratively complete and we are forwarding a copy of the PAP to your office for your information and review.

A technical review of the plan is currently being conducted and we are coordinating our review with your office as well as other state and federal offices. We anticipate that the review will be completed by approximately June 15, 1998. Please forward any comments you have to us by that date. Copies of the PAP are available for review at our Salt Lake City office as well as our Price Field Office and the Carbon County Courthouse. Copies are also being distributed to the Office of Surface Mining in Denver and the Price Office of the Bureau of Land Management. Additional information may be necessary to make the application technically complete and we look forward to working with you throughout the permitting process. Please call if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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

Enclosure

cc: Mary Ann Wright w/o
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