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Henry Maddux, Field Supervisor
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2369 West Orton Circle
West Valley City, Utah 84119

Re: Section 7 Consultation on the Federal Lease UTU-78562 (Whitmore Lease By Application), West Ridge Resources Inc., West Ridge Mine, C/007/041-PM01H, Outgoing File

Dear Mr. Maddux:

The Division of Oil, Gas and Mining determined the permit application for adding the Whitmore Canyon Lease to the West Ridge Mine administratively complete on December 12, 2001. This proposed new lease (1,6463.34 acres) is in the area of Whitmore Canyon in Carbon County.

Would you please supply a list of listed and proposed threatened and endangered species that might occur in this area? After we receive this list, we will evaluate the potential for each species to be in the area and to be adversely affected and notify you. We also invite your comments on other aspects of this proposal.

If you have any questions about this project, please call me at 801-538-5325 or Paul Baker at 801-538-5261.

Sincerely,

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

Daron R. Haddock
Permit Supervisor

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cc: Mike Glasson, West Ridge Resources
Price Field Office

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