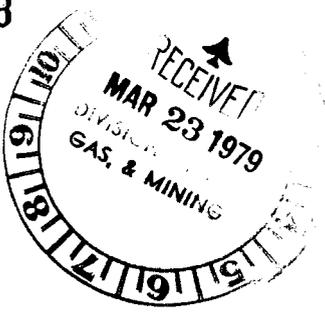


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Attn: Mr. K. Michael Thompson  
Engineering Geologist

Re: Western States Minerals Sediment Pond Design  
(Old Dog Valley Mine Site)

Dear Mr. Thompson:

This office has reviewed the material received March 13, 1979 concerning the above mentioned sediment pond. It is my understanding that the pond will be constructed mainly by excavation and that only a minor amount of embankment will be used. Because of the construction methods and the remote location of the pond, it is my opinion that my approval of the structure will not be required.

The material you submitted will serve as official notice to this office that the pond will be built and no further notice will be required by the owner-operator until the pond has been completed. I then request that we be notified of its completion.

Sincerely,

Dee C. Hansen  
State Engineer

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