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Mr. James W. Smith, Jr.
Coordinator of Mined Land Development
Division of Oil, Gas and Mining
Department of Natural Resources
1588 West North Temple
Salt Lake City, Utah 84116

RE: SUSPENSION OF MINING OPERATIONS AT WESTERN STATES MINERALS' J.B. KING COAL MINE, EMERY COUNTY, UTAH

Dear Mr. Smith:

It is WSMC's unfortunate duty to inform the Department of Natural Resources that as of May 8, 1981 mining operations have been suspended at our J.B. King Coal Mine. The decision to suspend mining operations was based entirely on past and current mine economics.

The mine presently has a payroll with six employees including:

a) Security force personnel with 24 hour a day and 7 days a week service.

b) Mine maintenance personnel to insure proper operation of the continually operating ventilation fan as well as maintaining and monitoring the mines operational and environmental facilities.

c) Aurora office personnel and sales personnel.

The coal leases that are affected by our decision to suspend mining operations are ML 17687, ML 1003, ML 18783, ML 19231, and SL 062712.

At this time WSMC is uncertain as to the definate duration of the suspended mining operations.

If you should have any questions or require any additional information regarding WSMC's suspension of mining operations at the J.B. King Coal Mine please contact me at our Wheat Ridge address:

For your permanent records Western States Minerals Corporation has undergone an address change. Our new address is:

4975 Van Gordon Street
Wheat Ridge, Colorado 80033

Phone Number (303) 425-7042

Sincerely,

Michael H. O'Donnell

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