



March 11, 1983

Mr. Robert Jacobsen
U. S. Fish & Wildlife Service
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125 South State
Salt Lake City, Utah 84138

RE: Poweline Surveys for Raptor
Protection

Dear Mr. Jacobsen:

As you may recall in a letter to Mr. Clark Johnson dated March 5, 1982, the Division requested that the U. S. Fish & Wildlife Service (USFWS) assist the Division in surveying powerlines at coal mines in Utah as to their adequacy for the protection of raptors.

Pursuant to the Division's raptor protection policy, which was copied to Mr. Johnson on February 26, 1982, coal operators were given the option of; 1) modifying only those powerpoles which posed a hazard to raptors as determined by the USFWS; or, 2) modify all power poles (that were not constructed "raptor safe") according to raptor protection technology.

The Division hereby requests that a raptor biologist for USFWS assist the Division with a joint DOGM-USFWS survey and inspection of powerlines at the following coal mines to assure raptor protection compliance:

1. Southern Utah Fuel Company's Convulsion Canyon Mine;
2. Co-op Mining Company's Trail Canyon and Bear Canyon Mines;
3. Tower Resources' Centennial Project; and,
4. Western States Minerals Corporation's J. B. King Mine.

(The Division has received requests from Tower and Western States to have their powerlines surveyed for compliance with raptor protection technology.)

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Please have your raptor biologist contact Lynn Kunzler or Sue Linner to coordinate these activities.

The Division appreciates your cooperative attitude and assistance you've given in the protection of wildlife and their critical habitat.

Sincerely,



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RECLAMATION BIOLOGIST

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