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April 6, 1989

Mr. Allen S. Gordon
Engineering Manager
Western States Minerals Corporation
1975 Van Gordon Street
Wheat Ridge, Colorado 80033

Dear Mr. Gordon:

Re: Annual Report Submittal, Western States Minerals Corporation, J. B. King Mine, INA/015/002, Folder #2, Emery County, Utah

The Division has reviewed the above-identified annual report, received on March 30, 1989. Subsidence monitoring data from the 1988 survey were submitted and reviewed previously. However, required vegetation monitoring data for 1988 have not been submitted (see attachment). Please be aware that the approved reclamation plan incorporated commitments to conduct vegetation monitoring and submit the derived data from 1988 in the annual report. Failure to submit these data may result in enforcement action.

Finally, the approved reclamation plan also contains a commitment to reassess the reference area range conditons in 1986 and 1989. The Division has not received the 1986 reassessment and anticipates receiving the 1989 reassessment in the next annual report (see attachement).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Richard V. Smith".

Richard V. Smith
Acting Permit Supervisor

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Attachment(s)
cc: L. Braxton
B. Stettler
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April 5, 1989

TO: Richard V. Smith, Acting Permit Supervisor
FROM: Brent A. Stettler, Reclamation Biologist *Brent*
RE: 1988 Annual Report, Western States Minerals Corporation, J. B. King Mine, INA/015/002, Folder #2, Emery County, Utah

In the PAP, Volume I, Section UMC 784.13, the operator committed to a schedule of monitoring final revegetation success.

Monitoring of vegetative cover and woody plant density were scheduled for the third year following reclamation, which was 1988. Data collection was to include a statistically adequate sample size, and employ the same methods used during the baseline inventory. These data must be provided.

Range condition of the reference area was to be reassessed every three years during the bond liability period, starting with year one (1986). The Division must be provided a copy of the 1986 assessment, as committed. Another reassessment must be completed in 1989.

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