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Re: Reclamation Plan Changes, Western States Minerals Corporation, J. B. King Mine, ACT/015/002-94C, Folder #3, Emery County, Utah

Dear Mr. Gerick:

This letter is in response to your inquiry dated April 7, 1995, which asked about the status of two items; 1) payment for the invoice for reclamation of the Vegetation Test Plots and 2) acceptability of the amendment dated November 28, 1995.

First; I have been informed that the invoice is being processed, albeit slowly. We believe all the necessary steps have been taken and are not aware of any hangup or snags that may hold up the process. I understand that it has been forwarded to the purchasing office for authorization and we expect to receive that shortly. Payment should be made shortly thereafter.

Second; I apologize for the delay in responding with regard to the November 28th submittal. That submittal has been accepted by the Division, however, it has not been incorporated into the J. B. King Reclamation Plan since it is not finalized or considered up to date. The reformatted plan should now be finalized to reflect the actual field work accomplished. This would include but not be limited to the following: the rate and location of biosolid application; volume, depth and location of rock mulch application, seed source and application rate and location.

You should also submit the complete data sets generated from the sampling and laboratory analysis of the refuse and soils (see Drawing No.:JBK-3 Drill Holes No. 1-11). In addition, the analyses of the biosolids from the Price River Improvement District must be submitted for insertion into the plan. This would include metals, Carbon: Nitrogen and nutrient analyses.



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One other item that the November submittal failed to address is the erosion monitoring program as agreed upon at the November 1, 1994 meeting attended by yourself, the Division Staff and Sam Bamberg. At that time we agreed that the components of the plan would include a surveyed map of all erosional features designating which features were considered drainages or classified as other. These other features would be monitored on a spring and fall schedule and either be determined stable, require repair work, or classified as drainages. The erosion monitoring program and a commitment to its implementation must also be included in the plan.

Finally, the "as-built" maps received April 12, 1995 have also been reviewed and found to be deficient. The maps cannot be approved until they are certified as required by R645-301-542.300. Also the "lateral performance boundary for new channel" shown on Drawing No: JKB-3 must be defined and the cross sections of the channel, sections A-A thru D-D must reflect on the ground conditions.

Once this information has been submitted in the appropriate format, it will be incorporated into the Reclamation Plan. Seven copies of the November 28th submittal as well as all necessary updated information should be supplied in order to make your final plans current and provide copies to appropriate agencies. Please submit these by June 2, 1995.

If you have any questions, please call.

Sincerely,



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