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TO: Douglas Richins, Director  
Division of Purchasing

FROM: James W. Carter, Director 

RE: Western States Minerals Corporation Invoice Letter of February 13, 1995

This memo justifies direct payment of \$9,878.93 to Western States Minerals Corporation for reclamation performed for the Division of Oil, Gas and Mining's Coal Regulatory Program at the J. B. King Mine, ACT/015/002, Emery County, Utah.

The Division allowed retention of a vegetation test plot as part of the mining and reclamation plan for the J. B. King Mine, and established a record of responsibility for reclamation for this disturbance of approximately 1 acre.

In November and December of 1994, Western States Minerals Corporation, the permittee of the J. B. King site agreed to reclaim the test plots for the Division at cost while performing other reclamation at the permitted site. This reclamation mitigated an environmental liability, and phone conversations between the Division and Western States substantiated saving the Division the cost of mobilizing equipment and supervising the reclamation of this small disturbance. Incremental costs for the work performed by Western States are similar to those experienced by the Utah Abandoned Mined Land Program for similar scale activity, and are less than per acre reclamation costs for acreage bonded by the Utah Coal Regulatory Program.

Should additional justification supporting payment of this invoice to Western States be required, please advise.

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