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Mr. Richard Dawes
Deputy Administrator
Office of Surface Mining
Region V
Brooks Towers
1020 Fifteenth Street
Denver, Colorado 80202

RE: Arco Coal Company
Huntington Canyon #4 Mine
ACT/015/004
Emery County, Utah

Dear Mr. Dawes:

Enclosed is an approval for a minor modification to the sedimentation pond at Huntington Canyon #4. The Division's approval letter allows for the use of the upper cell of the two ponds for mine water discharge, but only on a temporary basis. The problem is that the capacity of the upper cell is approximately that required for the 10-year, 24-hour event. However, there is an immediate need to discharge approximately 400,000 gallons of mine water currently held in underground sumps.

The Division's approval letter describes the approach to be taken for this action.

If you have further questions, please contact me.

Sincerely,

SALLY KEFER
RECLAMATION HYDROLOGIST

Enclosures

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