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Mr. Dan Guy, Chief Engineer
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RE: Huntington Canyon #4
Mine Status
ACT/015/004
Emery County, Utah

Dear Mr. Guy:

This letter is to clarify the status of the Huntington Canyon #4 Mine during the period from October 1978 through May 1980 and most particularly during the month of November 1979. The mine during this 19 month period would best be described as "administratively active" on this Division's records.

On November 9, 1978, this Division received a November 6, 1978, letter from Mr. Max Robb of Swisher Coal Company that reported that the mine was shut down pending the receipt of an approved mining and reclamation plan and lease from State and Federal authorities.

From the fall of 1978 to the spring of 1980, this Division worked with the Office of Surface Mining and Swisher (later ARCO) in obtaining State and Federal approval of a mining and reclamation plan for the mine. The revised mining and reclamation plan would comply with the new regulatory program mandated by P.L. 95-87.

At no time did this Division consider the mine permanently abandoned since we have on file a previously approved (1976) mining and reclamation plan which would have had to be implemented upon final abandonment.

Feel free to contact me or have other interested parties contact me if you need additional information on the previous status of this mine.

Sincerely,

RONALD W. DANIELS
DEPUTY DIRECTOR

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