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Mr. Leon E. Berggren
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RE: Huntington #4 Mine Closure
(SL-064903)
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Dear Mr. Berggren:

In response to your letter of October 2, 1984, Beaver Creek Coal Company is hereby notifying the B.L.M. that the Huntington Canyon #4 Mine will be permanently closed on or about November 1, 1984. It is our plan to recover all mineable coal on final retreat, leaving at least one pillar intact between the proposed seal area and the cave area.

The portals will be sealed and backfilled shortly after completion of mining. The proposed sealing plan has been previously submitted and reviewed as part of our Mining and Reclamation Plan, which included the R₂P₂ review. This procedure can be found in Section 3.5.2.1 (p. 3-56) of our M.R.P., and differs very slightly from the plan proposed in your letter.

It is our intent to protect the coal resource in the following ways:

1. Timely sealing of the portal areas to prevent air circulation and resulting oxidation or fires; and,
2. During final reclamation, covering of all exposed coal outcrops on the disturbed area to prevent oxidation and/or burning.

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It is our hope this plan will satisfy the conditions of your letter. If you have any questions, or need any further information, please let me know.

Respectfully,

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