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*New file*  
RE: Notice of Intent to Commence  
Exploratory Drilling  
Drill Hole G.C.-1 thru 8  
Drill Hole G.C.D.-4, 5  
Drill Holes H.C.-1 thru 4  
Drill Hole H.C.D.-1  
Carbon and Emery Counties  
EXP/007/015 and EXP/015/040

Dear Mr. Couchot:

Thank you very much for your March 6, 1980 letter describing ARCO Coal Company's proposed exploratory drilling programs in Carbon and Emery Counties, Utah. The letter satisfies the notice requirements of Rule M-3(5) of the Utah Mined Land Reclamation Act of 1975, Title 40-8, Utah Code Annotated. All information in the letter relating to the location, size, or nature of the deposit will be held as confidential material by the Division until written permission to release the information is received.

The Division strongly urges the cementing of all exploratory drill holes 50 foot above the highest mineable coal seam. The remainder of the drill holes should be filled with drilling mud and a surface plug of ten foot depth.

The Division requires no additional information at this time. However, a record of plugging procedures for each hole and general overall reclamation procedures (ie., grading, stabilization procedures, seed mixtures, rates,

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methods, and times of seeding) is requested upon termination of operations. In addition, all information relating to water-bearing formations encountered in drilling and logging must be submitted to the Division in writing, and must give the hole location, and if possible, the depth of the water-bearing strata, the formation name, the rate of flow, and if known, the water quality.

Plugging guidelines are available upon request for your reference.

Thank you for your cooperation. When in the area a member of the Division staff will examine the site.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Thomas J. Suchoski". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the typed name.

THOMAS J. SUCHOSKI  
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