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May 22, 1985

Mr. Dave Spillman
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Soldier Creek Coal Company
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Dear Mr. Spillman:

RE: Conditional Approval of Abatement Plans, Notice of Violation N85-2-4-2, #2 of 2, Soldier Creek Coal Company, Hidden Valley Mine, INA/O15/O22, #3, #4 and #7, Emery County, Utah

The abatement plans submitted by Soldier Creek Coal Company May 8, 1985 for Notice of Violation (NOV) N85-2-4-2, #2 of 2, have been reviewed by the Division. The proposed plans for the small area exemption are acceptable and conditional approval of the plans is hereby granted.

Since the watershed area contributing runoff to the gravel pile is not enumerated in the plans and the pile area will not actually impound incoming flows, a calculation of flow volume is unnecessary. However, as a condition to approval for the small area exemption, the Company must commit to maintaining the containment berm/ditch to ensure that surface runoff will be diverted around the gravel pile, thereby minimizing erosion to the base of the pile. The Company must respond to this condition by June 3, 1985 for approval to be finalized.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter. Please contact me or Dave Hooper should you have any questions.

Sincerely,

D. Wayne Hedberg
Permit Supervisor/
Reclamation Hydrologist

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