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March 28, 1985

Mr. Dave Spillman
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Dear Mr. Spillman:

RE: Response to Abatement Plan for Notice of Violation N85-2-1-1, Hidden Valley Mine, INA/015/007, #4 and #7, Emery County, Utah

The Division has received your letter dated March 20, 1985 submitted in response to our March 11, 1985 conditional approval letter for the abatement plans as referenced above.

Soldier Creek Coal Company has provided adequate information to address the previous conditions outlined by the Division for the proposed water monitoring program at the inactive Hidden Valley Mine site.

Please contact Dave Hooper or me should questions or problems arise with this approved monitoring plan.

Sincerely,

D. Wayne Hedberg
Permit Supervisor/
Reclamation Hydrologist

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Re: Abatement Plan for Nov N-85-2-1-1
Hidden Valley Mine
INA/015/007

Dear Mr. Hedberg:

Soldier Creek Coal Company hereby accepts your proposed water monitoring program for Hidden Valley Mine, as outlined in your March 12, 1985 letter. Ivie Creek will be monitored twice a year as specified - once during the month of May and then again in September.

As discussed with Dave Hooper on March 19, 1985. Soldier Creek Coal Company at present, does not have the necessary equipment to comply with some required field measurements. Therefore, Mr. Hooper agreed that if the necessary equipment can not be obtained by the time of the first required monitoring then pH and dissolved oxygen may be determined by laboratory analyses. Also, a determination of total dissolved solids should suffice for the specific conductivity measurement.

Please contact me if you should have any questions or comments concerning this matter.

Sincerely,

Dave Spillman

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