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TO: John J. Whitehead, Permit Supervisor

FROM: Pamela Grubaugh-Littig, Reclamation Engineer

RE: Phase I Bond Release Inspection, Hidden Valley Mine, CalMat, INA/015/007, Emery County, Utah

The Phase I bond release inspection for the Hidden Valley Mine was conducted by me on May 24, 1988. The backfilling and grading has been done to acceptable standards at the mine site. The portals were sealed and backfilled (both coal seams). Soils used for the backfilling and grading were derived from sandstone and alluvial deposits, and are coarse and friable with slight cohesive properties. No topsoil per se was available.

The access road, from the end of the paved county road to the mine site, was ripped, water bars constructed, and seeded and mulched. The road base material which was being stored at an area above the mine site was removed and that site was ripped and seeded. All of this reclamation work at the mine site was completed prior to Christmas, 1986.

During the Phase I bond release inspection, it was noted that there is ground cover, of which the quality and quantity will be sampled sometime this year.

After the reclamation work was completed in December, 1986, severe spring and fall storms in 1987 hit the site. The damage from these storms required repair of the silt fence as well as channel reconstruction. This work has been completed.

Therefore, it is recommended that the Phase I bond release be approved, i.e., 60 percent of the bond, or $102,909.00.

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