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RE: Hidden Valley Stipulation Response, Division Order DO-92A, Hidden Valley Coal Company, Hidden Valley Mine, ACT/015/007-DO-92A, Folder #2, Emery County, Utah

Synopsis

On June 23, 1992, the Division sent Mr. Lee Edmonson a letter requesting that the operator demonstrate what had been done to meet the stipulations of the Division's variance letter of May 2, 1980. The operator's attorney, Ms. Denise Dragoo, responded on July 15, 1992, stating that these stipulations were addressed in the PAP on certain pages, referenced in her letter. This memo addresses the adequacy of that response.

Analysis

The Division feels that certain things need to occur before the stream buffer zone Division Order can be satisfied. A bare area on the out slope of the "A" Seam needs to be reseeded and subsequently stabilized. In addition to this occurring, language needs to be added to the PAP. This language will address the treatment of water quality from the buffer zone area by the coarse rock piles adjacent to Ivie Creek at the base of the buffer zone. These rock piles are considered treatment for any runoff entering Ivie Creek from the buffer zone.

Recommendation

The operator be required to treat the outslope of the "A" Seam and provide additional language in the PAP explaining treatment of the runoff from the buffer zone by the coarse rock piles adjacent to Ivie Creek at the base of the buffer zone.

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