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DIVISION OF OIL
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Lee Edmonson
Cal Mat Company
Properties Division
1801 East University Drive
Phoenix, Arizona 85034

Re: Hidden Valley Coal Company, Hidden Valley Mine, ACT/015/007, Folder #2, Emery County, Utah

Dear Mr. Edmonson:

I am writing about our upcoming meeting regarding the Hidden Valley Mine. The Division would like to discuss some new initiatives directed at long-term resolution of the reclamation issues at the mine.

I have attached a meeting notice and a draft agenda. The agenda is issue-driven, and, we hope, will pave the way for discussing approaches that are goal-related. Also attached is a listing of issues we have identified. We batched the eighteen issues into several broad categories. Should you have any issues that concern you, please send me your list.

I appreciate your willingness to come to Salt Lake City. We had planned to come to Phoenix, but this should be better for all attendees, except perhaps for you. Let me know what your travel schedule will be, so that we can set an appropriate meeting time.

Very truly yours,

James W. Carter
Director

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Enclosure (3)
cc/enc: W. Malencik
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Agenda

1. Introduction and Goals of Meeting . . . James W. Carter and Lee Edmonson

2. Overview of Issues . . . . . William J. Malencik and Lee Edmonson

3. Classification of Issues . . . . . William J. Malencik

4. Issue Analysis . . . . . William J. Malencik and Lee Edmonson
   Consensus
   Nonconsensus/Process and Assignments to Resolve Nonconsensus

5. Meeting Summary . . . . . William J. Malencik

Division of Oil, Gas and Mining
Hidden Valley Mine Issues Relating to Compliance and/or Bond Release Matters

I. Backfilling and Grading
   1) Highwalls, A & B Seams
   2) Approximate Original Contour, Cutslope Road
   3) Reclaimed Road Bed

II. Roads/Wells
   4) Roads to Seven Wells/Wells
   5) Public Vehicle Encroachment on Reclaimed Road

III. Signs and Markers
   6) All Disturbed Areas Not Properly Marked, Maps Do Not Properly Depict Disturbed Areas
   7) Buffer Zone Areas Not Properly Marked

IV. Vegetation
   8) All Disturbed Areas Not Seeded and Mulched
   9) Seeded Areas Show Poor Vegetal Establishment
   10) Division Provide Policy to Permittee in Writing Prior to Joint Meeting on How Vegetation Parameters Will be Measured and Quantified as Related to Phase II Bond Release and Compliance
   11) Poisonous Plant Establishment on Reclaimed Site
   12) With Xerophytic Environment, et al., Will Vegetation Provide Adequate Erosion Control/Sediment Control, Phase II Bond Release Parameters? If Not, Then What?

V. Runoff Control
   13) Undisturbed Runoff Interfacing With Disturbed Runoff
   14) Water Bars

VI. Erosion and Sediment Control
   15) Road Outslope
   16) A & B Seam
   17) Borrow/Staging Area

VII. Bond Clock
   18) Further Reclamation Work That Will Start Bond Clock