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July 18, 1979

Mr. David R. Mills
Mining Engineer
The Fetterolf Group
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Re: Trail Mountain Coal Mine
Emery County, Utah
ACT/015/009

Dear Mr. Mills:

The Division is in receipt of your letter of June 28, 1979 concerning Trail Mountain Coal Mine entering into State Mineral Lease ML-22603. The Division of State Lands specifies that the mine must be in compliance with the Utah Mined Land Reclamation Act and a bond must be posted for reclamation. As you know, the mine is not presently in compliance with Rules MC 700 et seq. or the Utah Mined Land Reclamation Act. Non-compliance areas are specified in the Division's letter of February 22, 1979, which cites specific violations observed during a field inspection. In addition, reclamation surety is not presently held for the surface facilities located on fee ground or for the State Lease.

Section 40-8-14 of the Utah Mined Land Reclamation Act states that surety is to be provided after the notice of intention has been approved. Therefore, the mine must be in compliance with the Division's applicable regulations and a reclamation surety be provided, in form and amount approved by the Board, prior to entering into State Mineral Lease ML-22603-coal.

The Division is also presently in receipt of plans submitted by Fetterolf for the purposes of bringing the mine into compliance. Initial response should be sent to you approximately August 10, 1979. The response date is to allow comment by the State Engineer, Division of State Health and the U.S. Office of Surface Mining.

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By copying this letter to those listed below they are informed of this action.

Sincerely,



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cc: John Blake, Division of State Lands
Murray Smith, Region V, O.S.M.
Harold Mosley, Trail Mountain Coal Mine