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4241 State Office Building
Salt Lake City, Utah 84114

Response to NAOC 82-7-8-1

Attention: Mr. Ken Wyatt

RE: Salvage, Storage, and Protection of Topsoil

Dear Ken:

Since your last visit to our minesite, I have walked the borrow area with John Nielson (owner & operator of Nielson Construction) and discussed with him the removal and seperation of the topsiol. John has been very helpful in this matter.

No work has been done in the borrow since your last visit (due to the inclement weather, we have asked the contractor to cease work until October 4, 1982). When work resumes in the borrow area, topsoil will be separated, and in turn, we will stockpile topsoil until we are ready to redistribute topsoil on regraded areas.

We have an area just to the north of the portal area that will be ideal for storage of the topsoil:

PROTECTION: In the proposed stockpile area, we have natural protection on two sides - the remaining two sides of the stockpile will be protected by the use of berms.

From this point on, topsoil will be separated and stockpiled. Redistribution will take place as soon as construction on the culvert and sediment pond will allow.

I have been in contact with a Mr. Richard Stevens of the Great Basin Experimental Station in Ephraim, Utah. He has been most helpful in determining seed mixtures for this area, locating distributors for said seed mixtures, and in giving us a planting time frame. I have also placed an order for various seed mixtures as recommended to us from Maple Leaf Industries of Ephraim.

If you have any questions in this area of concern, please do not hesitate to contact me at 748-2140.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

NATOMAS TRAIL MOUNTAIN COAL COMPANY

Allen Childs

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Mine Engineer

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seed mix ordered

- Crested wheatgrass *
- Russian wildrye *
- Alfalfa * eliminate
- yellow sweetclover *
- intemediate wheatgrass *
- western wheatgrass
- Kentucky Bluegrass
- ~~Pubescent wheatgrass~~ * pubescens