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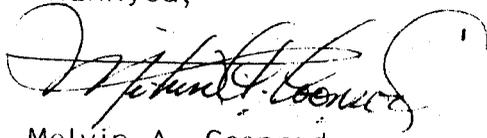
RE: Reclamation of Abandoned Rock
Quarry, Trail Canyon Mine

Dear Jim:

Attached is a reclamation plan for a pre-law disturbance which
Co-Op Mining Company is undertaking as an enhancement project.

It is also the site of a violation which Co-Op is protesting at
this time. Regardless of the outcome of violation # N83-1-3-1,
It is Co-Op's intent to reclaim this area and would appreciate the
Division's review and comments.

Thankyou,



Melvin A. Coonrod
Permitting and Compliance Director

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cc: Ron Daniels

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ABANDONED ROCK QUARRY - RECLAMATION PLAN
Co-Op Mining Company, Trail Canyon Mine

The area in question comprises approximately .24 acres. It lies on the western edge of the Trail Canyon Permit area adjacent to the Trail Canyon Road. The disturbance was a result of a rock quarry which was started in the late 1920's and subsequently abandoned in the late 1950's. The quarry has, over the last 20 years, continued to erode its own high wall through a gradual sluffing of material. In order to protect the roadway, an old tractor coal trailer was abandoned in the quarry adjacent to the road. The trailer has for the past 10+ years acted much in the same way a retaining wall would, to prevent rocks and debris from falling on to and blocking the roadway.

Co-Op Mining Company intends to remove the old trailer and attempt to pull or push down the balance of the loose material to build a barrier of native rock to serve as a retaining wall. This should form a more natural and aesthetically pleasing structure, and one which Co-Op feels, it has the potential to reclaim. A crawler tractor will be utilized in combination with an end loader to recontour the slope and create a rock retainer.

The seed list and the actual methodology which will be utilized in the reclamation effort are the same as submitted in Chapter 9 Section 9.5 MRP Submittal October 27, 1983.

The time table for completion of earth work is September 1984, with planting to be completed by November 1, 1984. The cost of the reclamation effort should range between \$1,900.00 and \$2,700.00 depending on success in the contouring and removing loose material through conventional methods.

It should be noted that the disturbance in question is of a pre-law origin and that Co-Op views this reclamation as an enhancement effort which will be of benefit to the aesthetic, air quality, wildlife, water quality, and vegetation resource of the permit area in general.