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Memorandum

DIVISION OF  
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To: Senior Project Manager for Utah, Office of Surface Mining, Denver

Attention: Richard Holbrook

From: District Manager, BLM, Moab

Subject: Trail Mountain Mining and Reclamation Plan, Tract 2 (UT 0017)

We have received the subject plan consisting of 2 volumes on April 16, 1986 and have reviewed it with regards to land uses administered by the BLM and the adequacy of the resource recovery and protection plan (R<sup>2</sup>P<sup>2</sup>). The submitted plan is an amendment to the original permit application package (PAP), referenced UT 0017, and approved by the Assistant Secretary on December 14, 1984. Soon after approval, the complete plan on file in our Salt Lake State Office was transferred to the San Rafael Resource Area (in Price, Utah) of the Moab District, where field engineers responsible for on-ground lease administration would have access to the complete plan. It was decided once the mine plan is approved and sent to field offices that any revisions, changes or additions to the R<sup>2</sup>P<sup>2</sup> would be reviewed and commented on at the District level. We, therefore, are addressing items checked for both the Branch of Solid Minerals (BSM) BLM and Federal Land Managing Agency (FLMA).

The subject tract is entirely on National Forest land requiring no response to land use conflicts and protection of nonmineral resources by the BLM.

With regard to the R<sup>2</sup>P<sup>2</sup>, we have reviewed the mining layout and operational sequencing. Trail Mountain is adding to the original permit a newly acquired emergency Federal coal lease U-49332 located directly west and adjoining the present permit area. All access to the lease will be from adjacent underground mine workings located in the present permit area. Present surface facilities will be used. The plan meets the requirements of the 43 CFR 3482.1(c) rules and regulations. We have determined that the proposed coal recovery procedures will safely obtain maximum recovery of the coal resource within the plan area using the equipment and technology proposed. Within the limits of our authority, we approve the R<sup>2</sup>P<sup>2</sup> and recommend the subject plan be approved.

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