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TO: Lowell P. Braxton, Associate Director, Mining

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RE: Permitting Schedules Delayed, PacifiCorp Electric Operations, Des-Bee-Dove Mine, ACT/015/017; Beaver Creek Coal Company, Trail Mountain #9 Mine, ACT/015/009; Co-Op Mining Company, Bear Canyon Mine, ACT/015/025, Emery County; Intermountain Power Agency, Horse Canyon Mine, ACT/007/013, Carbon County, Utah

As of the week of February 11, 1991, OSM has been conducting weekly oversight inspections at Utah's mines. Due to the increased workload as a result of these inspections, permitting deadlines cannot be met. This is especially critical for the Des-Bee-Dove Mine Five-Year Renewal (time extended under CO #C90-20-1-1) and the Horse Canyon Mine permanent program permit. The Federal Lease Tract permitting for Trail Mountain #9 Mine and Bear Canyon Mine will also be delayed. The Five-Year Renewal for the Bear Canyon Mine, decision dependent upon the informal hearing, will also be set back.

This memo is to advise you of this situation and implications that may arise.

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