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June 12, 1991

Mr. Dan Guy
Beaver Creek Coal Company
P.O. Box 1378
Price, Utah 84501

Dear Mr. Guy:

Re: Two Exploration Drill Holes, Beaver Creek Coal Company, Trail Mountain #9 Mine, CEP/015/009-91B, Exploration Folder & Folder #2, Emery County, Utah

Enclosed please find deficiencies related to the exploration of two drill holes located north of the Trail Mountain #9 permit area.

Please submit your responses by July 1, 1991.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'Pamela Grubaugh-Littig'.

Pamela Grubaugh-Littig
Permit Supervisor

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Enclosure
cc: Susan White
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June 11, 1991

TO: Pamela Grubaugh-Littig, Permit Supervisor

FROM: Susan M. White, Reclamation Biologist *SMW*

RE: Two Exploration Drill Holes, Beaver Creek Coal Company, Trail Mountain #9 Mine, CEP/015/009-91B, Exploration Folder & Folder #2, Emery County, Utah

Synopsis

Beaver Creek Coal Company (Mountain Coal Company) has submitted an application for a permit to drill two coal exploration drill holes. The proposed drill holes are on State of Utah lands and are immediately north of the Trail Mountain #9 permit area. Drilling will be completed this year.

Recommendation

The application was reviewed and found to be incomplete. Listed below are deficiencies which should be included in the application:

- R614-201-222 Please provide the Name of applicants representative who will be present at, and responsible for conducting the exploration operations.
- R614-201-223 The applicant must receive a permit and post a bond with Utah State Lands. The Forest Service would like to know where the applicant will obtain water for the drilling.
- R614-201-225 The applicant states: "No threatened and endangered plant or animal species have been identified within the proposed exploration areas." How was this determined and are any threatened and endangered species likely.

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A commitment that all brush and trees removed from roads or pads during construction should be placed back on the reclaimed area after seeding. This will protect the soil and seed.

The application must include a seed mixture composed of grass, forb, and shrub species which are native to the area.

A commitment that the redistributed topsoil will be left in a roughened condition.

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