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Re: Clarification Required for Vegetation Survey, Trail Mountain Mine,
PacifiCorp, ACT/015/009-93B, Folder #2, Emery County, Utah

Dear Mr. Payne:

The Division received the information on December 3, 1993 relative to Stipulation R645-301-356 (SW) for the Trail Mountain drilling, which required that "By November 30, 1993, the permittee must submit, for inclusion in the PAP, the data, discussions and results of the vegetation survey of the drill pads, roads, and reference areas. The disturbed areas must be compared to the reference areas for similarity as described in the Division's Vegetation Information guidelines. The range condition classification and current and potential production rates must also be included in the reference area discussion".

The data submitted is adequate, however, several items must be clarified prior to approval.

1. The cover letter stated that holes TMTN-9 and TMTN-15 were not drilled and are not expected to be drilled. However, vegetation data were submitted for these holes and associated reference areas. In future years, this will be confusing, and must, therefore, be deleted. Additionally, the permit maps show these sites as disturbed and must be revised.

2. It is unclear, once the access roads merge, what the "reference area" of that part of the road will be compared to. Please clarify. A map would be helpful in this regard.



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3. The PAP must contain a map with the location of all reference areas (R645-301-323.100). This map must include the reference area for the Trail Mountain drilling sites.

4. A summary of this drilling should also be included in the annual report. This summary should include, among other things, the exact acreages of disturbance.

Please submit items 1 through 3 by January 5, 1994. Item #4 will be included in the annual report, due March 31, 1994. If you have any questions, please call me.

Sincerely,


Pamela Grubaugh-Littig
Permit Supervisor

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