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James Carter, Director
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Dear ~~Mr. Carter~~ Jim:

After review of the Trail Mountain Mine Permit Application Package (PAP), the Bureau of Land Management (BLM), is responding to the "Updated Plan for Trail Mountain Mine (Permit renewal), Trail Mountain Mine, PacifiCorp, ACT/015/009, Folder #2, Emery County, Utah," dated June 5, 1995. Issues of concern are listed below.

BLM has ***not*** approved the following:

1. The text in chapter 3 p. 3-13 through 3-26. Because of the change in text in chapter 3, there is a discrepancy between paragraph 3.3.1.3 Mining Methods-Continuous Miner and Longwall, and the Geotechnical report in chapter 12. Chapter 12 discusses the results of second mining (pulling pillars) p. 12-14. PacifiCorp submitted changes to the R2P2 on December 5, 1994 that are currently under review (Plate 3-2). Room and pillar mining (first and second mining), barrier pillars and mining to the lease boundaries are issues that are of concern to BLM that have not yet been resolved.

2. Plate 3-2 (Energy West Mining Co. Trail Mountain Coal Mine Mining Plan). Maximum economic recovery (MER) is still at issue.

BLM has approved the following:

1. Trail Mountain PAP, Appendix 3-3, BLM approval of the Resource Recovery Protection Plan for Tract 2.

2. Trail Mountain PAP, Appendix 3-3(L),[Figure 3-6], BLM Approval of R2P2 for New Lease Area (enclosed).

Any questions on this matter may be referred to Stan Perkes, at 539-4036.

Sincerely,

Douglas M. Koza

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Enclosure

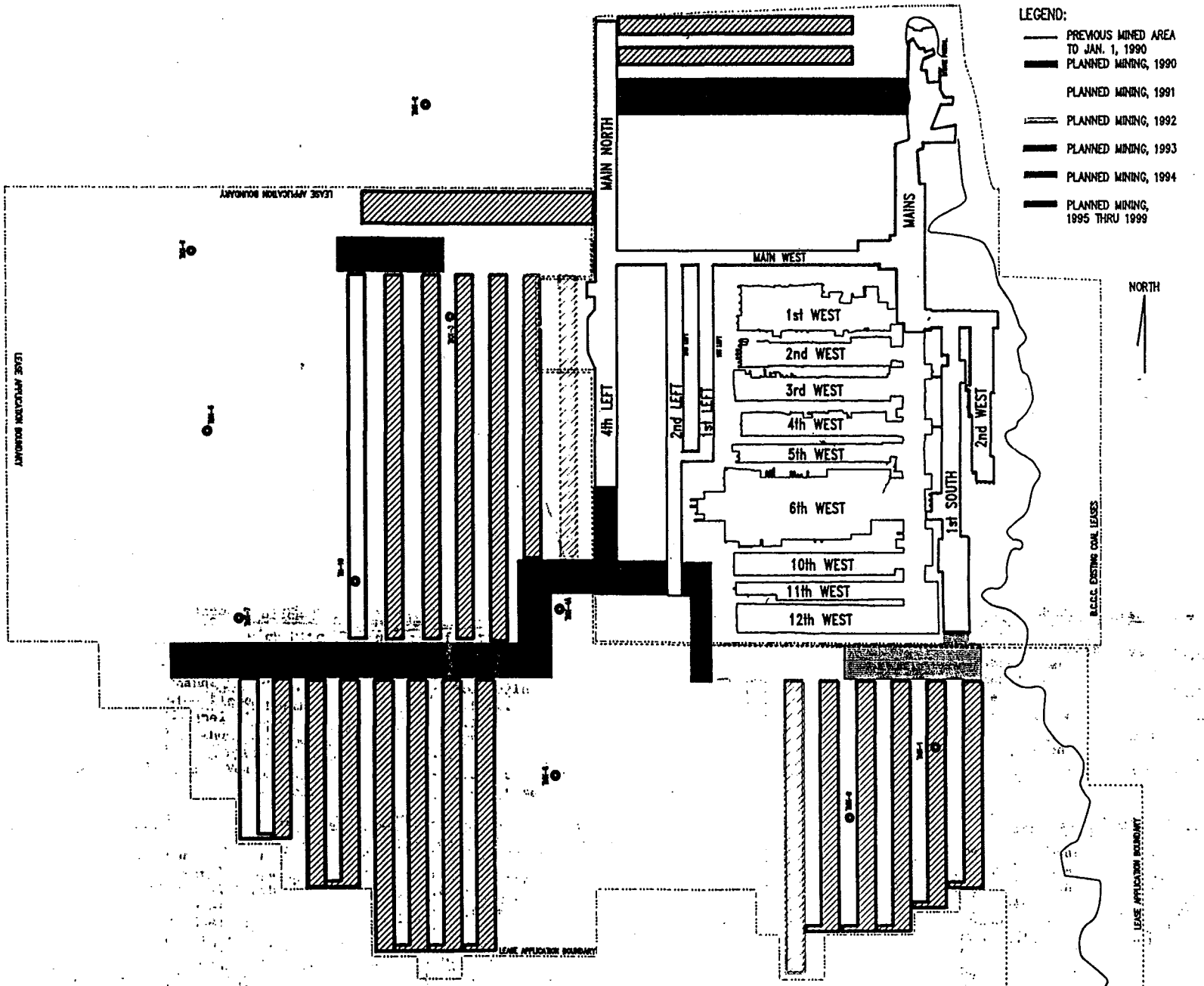

FIGURE 3-6

BEAVER CREEK COAL COMPANY
NO. 9, TRAIL MOUNTAIN COAL MINE
PROJECTED MINE PLAN