

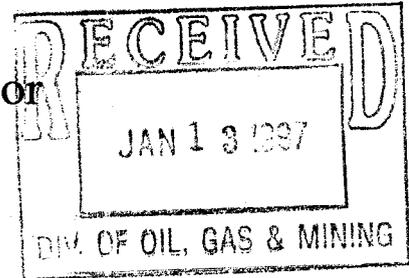


IN REPLY REFER TO:

United States Department of the Interior

OFFICE OF SURFACE MINING

Reclamation and Enforcement
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January 9, 1997

UT-0017

Ms. Pamela Grubaugh-Littig
Division of Oil, Gas and Mining
1594 West North Temple, Suite 1210
Salt Lake City, UT 84114-5801

Dear Ms. Grubaugh-Littig:

This relates to PacificCorp's application dated December 20, 1996, for Permit Change-Incidental Boundary Change, Trail Mountain Mine, Emery County, UT, and to your request of December 30, 1996, for a determination whether or not the permit amendment that you intend to approve, would constitute a mining plan modification for Federal coal lease UTU-64375. *ACT 1015/009 # 2*
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We have reviewed the application and noted that on December 11, 1996, PacificCorp requested the Utah State Office of the Bureau of Land Management to approve a modification of Federal coal lease UTU-64375. The applicant has proposed to extend the lease boundary to add 133.2 acres to the current lease. BLM intends to issue the 133.2 acre lease modification and require a modification to the resource recovery and protection plan pursuant to 43 CFR 3482.2(a)(2).

This proposal would enable the applicant to mine additional 490,000 tons of coal from approximately 38.17 acres out of 133.2 acres of the lease modification area. The applicant contends that if this coal is not mined at this time, it will be bypassed and that there is no other viable or potential operation that could logically mine the area.

The applicant has stated in the application that the current subsurface area disturbed by mining at the Trail Mountain Mine is approximately 2,000 acres. The additional subsurface area (38.17 acres) proposed to be mined is less than 2% of current area disturbed by mining (2,000 acres).

We have evaluated the proposal contained in the application pursuant to the requirements of 30 CFR 746.18. We have determined that a permit amendment by DOGM for this proposal would not constitute a mining plan modification because the proposed change in the location or amount of coal to be mined is a result of an incidental boundary change as authorized in 30 CFR 746.18(d)(3)(ii).

If you have any question regarding this determination, please contact me at (303) 844-1489.

Sincerely

Ranvir Singh
Ranvir Singh, P.E.
Program Support Division

APPLICATION FOR PERMIT CHANGE

Title of Change:

AS-BUILT DRAWING

Permit Number: ACT/015/009

Mine: TRAIL MOUNTAIN MINE

Permittee: PACIFICORP

Description, include reason for change and timing required to implement:

To depict revision changes on the surface facility drawing pertinent for the permit

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No | 1. Change in the size of the Permit Area? _____ acres <input type="checkbox"/> increase <input type="checkbox"/> decrease. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No | 2. Change in the size of the Disturbed Area? _____ acres <input type="checkbox"/> increase <input type="checkbox"/> decrease. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No | 3. Will permit change include operations outside the Cumulative Hydrologic Impact Area? |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No | 4. Will permit change include operations in hydrologic basins other than currently approved? |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No | 5. Does permit change result from cancellation, reduction or increase of insurance or reclamation bond? |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No | 6. Does the permit change require or include public notice publication? |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No | 7. Does the permit change require or include ownership, control, right-of-entry, or compliance information? |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No | 8. Permit change as a result of a Violation? Violation # _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No | 9. Permit change as a result of Division Order? D.O. # _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No | 10. Permit change as a result of other laws or regulations or policies? Explain: _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No | 11. Does the permit change affect the surface landowner or change the post mining land use? |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No | 12. Does permit change require or include underground design or mine sequence and timing? (Modification of R2P2?) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No | 13. Does permit change require or include collection and reporting of any baseline information? |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No | 14. Could the permit change have any effect on wildlife or vegetation outside the current disturbed area? |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No | 15. Does permit change require or include soil removal, storage or placement? |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No | 16. Does permit change require or include vegetation monitoring, removal or revegetation activities? |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No | 17. Does permit change require or include construction, modification, or removal of surface facilities? |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No | 18. Does permit change require or include water monitoring, sediment or drainage control measures? |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No | 19. Does permit change require or include certified designs, maps, or calculations? |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No | 20. Does permit change require or include subsidence control or monitoring? |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No | 21. Have reclamation costs for bonding been provided for any change in the reclamation plan? |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No | 22. Is permit change within 100 feet of a public road or perennial stream or 500 feet of an occupied dwelling? |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No | 23. Is this coal exploration activity? |

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Attach 7 complete copies of proposed permit change as it would be incorporated into the Mining and Reclamation Plan.

I hereby certify that I am a responsible official of the applicant and that the information contained in this application is true and correct to the best of my information and belief in all respects with the laws of Utah in reference to commitments, undertakings, and obligations, herein.

Richard Anthony Env. Eng. 1-8-97
Signed - Name - Position - Date

Subscribed and sworn to before me this _____ day of _____
Barbara J. Adams
Notary Public

My Commission Expires: _____
STATE OF _____
COUNTY OF _____

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