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Subject: Midterm Review, Task ID# 3355, Pacificcorp/ Energy West, Trail Mountain Mine,
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Dear Mr Fleck :

The Division has completed the Midterm review of Trail Mountain Mine in accordance with R645-303-211. The items reviewed were identified in our letter of Midterm Review Commencement presented to Energy West on November 15, 2007. The following items were reviewed:

1. An AVS check was conducted in September 16, 2009. No violations were retrieved by the system and all previous deficiencies were addressed.
2. The Mine Plan was reviewed to ensure that the requirements of all permit conditions, division orders, notice of violation abatement plans, and permittee initiated plan changes are appropriately incorporated into the plan document.
3. A Technical field visit and Mine Plan review was conducted to ensure that the applicable portions of the permit contain commitments for application of the best technology currently available (BTCA) to prevent additional contributions of suspended solids to stream flows outside of the permit area.
4. The bond was reviewed to ensure that it is in order and that the cost estimate is accurate and is escalated to the appropriate year dollars.
5. The Division conducted a technical site visit on September 25, 2008 in conjunction with the assigned compliance inspector, Pete Hess, to document the status and effectiveness of operational, reclamation, and contemporaneous reclamation practices.



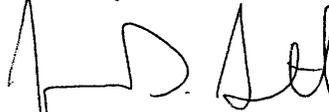
6. Trail Mountain Mine went into temporary cessation on May 2, 2001. The Division requested that Energy West Mining provide future reactivation plans.

Please submit 8 clean copies of Volume 2, Chapter 7 and Appendix A in the Legal and Financial Volume along with the required C1/C2 forms by no later than October 15, 2009. A stamped incorporated copy of the approved plans will be returned to you for insertion into your copy of the Mining and Reclamation Plan.

This concludes the midterm review of the Trail Mountain. Thank you for your cooperation during the review.

If you have any questions, please call me at (801)538-5262 or Joe Helfrich at (801)538-5290.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'J.D. Smith', written over a vertical line that serves as a separator between the signature and the typed name below.

James D. Smith
Permit Supervisor

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