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Mr. Lowell P. Braxton, Administrator
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Dear Mr. Braxton:

Consolidation Coal Company (Consol) proposes to modify the approved Emery Deep Mine (ACT/015/015) Permit Application Package (PAP) by eliminating a 150-foot section of 12-inch culvert pipe that is presently a part of the drainage control plan within the mine facilities area (Vol. 8, Chap. 13, pages 13-70 through 13-79; and Plates 13-3 and 13-5).

Originally this culvert was designed in association with a ditch, to convey runoff, by the portal area and along the berm adjacent to Christiansen Wash, to sedimentation pond No. 2. However, due to clogging problems this culvert section has proved ineffective in conveying water by the portal and for the most part, runoff above the portal runs along the berm which contains the culvert or down into the mine without circumstance.

For this reason, Consol proposes to eliminate the culvert section from the mine facilities drainage control plan by sealing the ends of the culvert. Upon final abandonment of the mine, the surface water runoff control berms will be reclaimed (Section 3.5.3.3). At that time the culvert section will be removed and disposed of in an environmentally acceptable manner.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at 314-275-2424.

Sincerely,

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Permit Coordinator/Hydrologist

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