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RE: Lease Relinquishment, Consolidation Coal Company, Emery Deep Mine, ACT\015\015-98A, Folder #2, Carbon County, Utah

SUMMARY:

The proposed changes to Emery Deep Mine that were received on June 29, 1998. These changes were in response to State Lands wanting to take away the right of entry to Emery Deep for not agreeing to pay increased royalties.

Information found in the proposal is considered adequate to meet the requirements of the R645 Coal Rules.

TECHNICAL ANALYSIS:

RECLAMATION

Regulatory Reference : R645-301-551

Analysis:

Casing and Sealing of Underground Openings

The permittee has given an underground mine map showing the location of the permanent seals; therefore, access to these areas is not possible. These seals meet the requirements of MSHA.

Findings:

The information given in the proposed amendment meets the requirements of the Coal Rules. This amendment is considered adequate.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that this amendment be approved.

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