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Re: Midterm Permit Review, Consolidation Coal Company, Emery Deep Mine, ACT/015/015, File #3, Emery County, Utah

Dear Mr. Kirschbaum:

The Division is required to review each active permit during its term, in accordance with R645-303-211. This review is to take place at the mid-point of the permit term (July 8, 1998 for the Emery Deep Mine) and will cover pertinent elements that have been selected for review. The Midterm Review for the Emery Deep Mine is now being conducted and the items chosen for review encompass the following:

1. An AVS check to ensure that Ownership and Control information is current and correct.

2. A review of the bond to ensure that it is in order and that the cost estimate is accurate and is escalated to the appropriate year dollars.

3. A review of the Plan 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.

4. A review of applicable portions of the permit to ensure that the Plan contains 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.

5. The Division may, at it's option, conduct a technical site visit in conjunction with the assigned compliance inspector to document the status and effectiveness of operational, reclamation, and contemporaneous reclamation practices.

Any information that you would like us to review as part of the Midterm review must be submitted by July 8, 1998. Once the review has been conducted, you will be notified of any outstanding issues that need to be corrected.

If you have any questions regarding these requirements or the Midterm Review please don't hesitate to call.

Sincerely,

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