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FYI -

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Mr. Baza - I just wanted to drop you a quick line to let you know how much I appreciate meeting with you last month regarding CONSOL's positions on some permitting issues in UT as they affect our Emery Mine. Recently, CONSOL staff has been working closely with the Division's permitting staff on an IBC for Emery, and there have been many meetings and phone calls back-and-forth between your staff and CONSOL as we work out the details of the application review and the permit issuance. The review for this permit took much longer than I hoped it would. Because of that lengthy review time and concerns that we had with questions being asked during the review, John Gefferth (CONSOL) and I met with Mary Ann Wright, Pam Grubaugh-Littig and Susan White at the Division's office last week to discuss this matter.

Mary Ann and her staff managers were very receptive to listening to our concerns about how the recent Emery IBC application review progressed. They promised to consider our views on four specific review points and procedures that have caused us a great deal of heartburn. Mary Ann suggested that we need to do better job at providing her with overviews of projects when they are to be submitted, and also to communicate directly with her when we have applications that required a short turn-around. Mary Ann and I have established a procedure in which I will call her to provide her and her staff with these overviews, and whenever I feel that there are permit review issues that are not being addressed in a way with which I am comfortable.

We will be submitting another application this week which will need a quick review and issuance by your permitting staff. I feel that the meetings of last week will help improve the chances for that application being quickly reviewed and issued. I would be happy to come to Salt Lake City to meet with you to review the status of permitting at our operating Emery Mine, as well as to review our plans for new mining project in Utah, the Hidden Valley Mine. Please feel free to give me a call if you wish to discuss this e-mail.

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