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TO: Pamela Grubaugh-Littig, Permit Supervisor

FROM: Henry Sauer, Senior Reclamation Soils Specialist 

RE: Test Plot Soil Sample Submittal Request, PacifiCorp Electric Operations, Des-Bee-Dove Mine, ACT/015/017, Folder #2, Emery County, Utah

SYNOPSIS

The permittee has submitted, received February 8, 1993, an as-built of the completed Des-Bee-Dove Test Plots. The permittee has collected soil samples. Three samples were collected within the Mancos Shale and an unspecified number within the "rocky soil" (treatment #4). The Division regards the laboratory results of this soil analyses as essential for determining the success of the various plot treatments and their effects on the physicochemical properties of the proposed plant growth medium. Therefore, the Division respectfully requests the submission of the soils data for inclusion in the as-built submittal and a commitment to submit, to the Division for inclusion in the Permit Application Package (PAP), all future test plot soil analyses.

I would like to take this opportunity to extend my thanks and appreciation to PacifiCorp and in particular Mr. Val Payne and Mr. Guy Davis for their cooperation and diligence in designing and implementing the Des-Bee-Dove Test Plots. The formulative discussion regarding the reclamation of Mancos Shale at the mine was considerate of many scientific opinions and the results were the completion of an innovative and scientifically sound revegetation test plot. Again I thank you for your professionalism and look forward to future projects with you.

RECOMMENDATION

Submit test plot soils data for inclusion in the PAP and commit to providing the Division with future test plot soil laboratory results.