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DIVISION OF  
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Re: **REQUEST FOR AN EXTENSION ON FEDERAL NOV 93-020-190-05,  
PACIFICORP, DES-BEE-DOVE MINE, ACT /015/017, EMERY COUNTY,  
UTAH.**

Dear Mr. Wright:

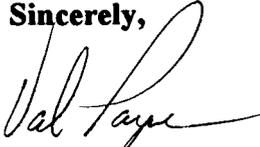
Per the phone conversation on January 6, 1994 with Steve Rathbun Pacificorp requests a forty-five (45) day extension be granted for Federal NOV 93-020-190-05 which was issued at the Des-Bee-Dove Mine located in Emery County, Utah.

The original abatement deadline was set for January 13, 1994 @ 8:00 AM, however additional time is necessary. Please find enclosed a copy of the contractors letter giving the estimated time frame to abate the violation, concerns with the weather conditions inherent with the winter season and possible hazards to the operator due to the winter season. It would be preferable to stop the time clock and resume it during the spring when the abatement could be accomplished safely. If climatic conditions due not improve within the forty-five (45) day extension period it may be necessary for Pacificorp to request an additional extension beyond ninety (90) days as provided for at 30 CFR 843.12(f).

Pacificorp still feels that any activity on the outslope of the Haul Road will destabilize the slope and would not solve the problem. Temporary relief and evaluation of the violation have been requested.

**Your prompt response is appreciated. If you have any questions please feel free to contact Karl R. Houskeeper or myself at (801) 653-2312.**

**Sincerely,**



**Val Payne  
Sr. Environmental Engineer**

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**enclosure**

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December 29, 1993

John Christensen  
Construction Engineer  
Energy West Mining Co.  
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Dear Mr. Christensen,

As per your request I have inspected the erosional rills along the Des-Bee-Dove haul road and looked at possible solutions to filling the rills. It looks to me the best solution to the problem would be to have a track excavator (hoe) make 3 to 4 roads along the length of the slope, on each pass he would dress-up the slope above and below him as well as reshaping the roads he just built. This method could be used on the upper slope along the straight portion of the haul road. The section on the lower turn would require being filled using a crane and dirt bucket. This would be necessary because of the steepness of the slope.

I have some concerns with doing the work at this time of the year. The frozen ground could create some traction and slippage problems for the backhoe, which could be a hazard for the operator. Also if the weather turned for the worse the backhoe could have problems maneuvering off the slope, it would be preferable to wait for warmer weather. If the work needs to be done, I've estimated it taking approximately 25 days. See the attached sheet for a 'ball-park' estimate.

If you have any further questions, please let me know.

Sincerely,

Kimball Rasmussen  
Construction Foremen