

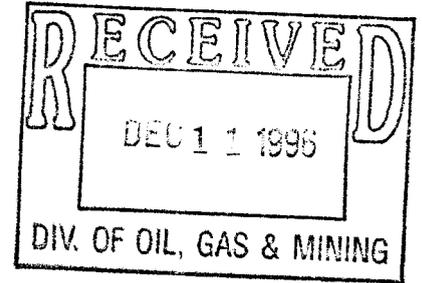
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Utah Coal Regulatory Program
 Division of Oil, Gas and Mining
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Attention: Mr. Paul Baker

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Re: METHANE GAS AND WATER EJECTION LINES AMENDMENT,
 PACIFICORP, DES-BEE-DOVE MINE, ACT/015/017, EMERY COUNTY,
 UTAH.

PacifiCorp by and through its wholly-owned subsidiary, Energy West Mining Company ("Energy West") as mine operator, submit for approval an amendment to provide installation of a Methane Gas and Water Ejection line, adjacent to the Des-Bee-Dove Mine Haul Road.

EXPLANATION:

Due to an oversight of communication by Texaco Exploration Company to inform PacifiCorp about intentions to place a gas and water line along the permitted R/W of the Des-Bee-Dove haul road, has created a regulation problem, wherein grading work and trenching has now occurred. The reason this happened is that Texaco was granted a R/W by the State Trust Lands over the same area that was previously granted to PacifiCorp. The State failed to make Texaco and PacifiCorp aware of this situation. The State Trust Lands also failed to inform The Division of Oil, Gas and Mining of such a transaction. Texaco unaware that there would be a problem, due to the fact, they had a R/W grant from the State, thus began construction, involving grading and excavation within PacifiCorp's regulated and permitted R/W. When Energy West became aware of the situation, Texaco representatives were contacted and a meeting was set for the next day. Representatives from Texaco, Division of Oil, Gas and Mining and PacifiCorp met on December 6, 1996. A decision to regulate the reconstruction of the disturbed area drainage ditch and side slopes being affected within PacifiCorps R/W was determined. PacifiCorp staff members will inspect and oversee that the areas are reconstructed according to original plans and specifications. A list of requirements and construction drawings will be furnished to Texaco to provide direction for the contractor. Revegetation, interim stabilization and monitoring of areas disturbed will be included in the requirements to Texaco.

Division of Oil, Gas and Mining also requested that silt fencing or straw bales be placed within the graded ditch line to prevent disturbed material from contributing to the influence of a natural

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stream channel.

Plans by Texaco are to place a 3 inch plus steel gas line and a 3 inch ejection water line (In the same trench). Construction requires disturbance of the existing drainage ditch and slopes along the Northern side of the haul road. The location of the trench and proposed lines will be identified on the drawings listed below and are part of the existing permit. A under the roadway crossing is part of the plan and is depicted on the drawing CM-10584-DS, Sht. 11 of 38.

Drawings revised and depict location of gas and water lines are:

CM-10584-DS, SHEETS 9, 10, AND 11 OF 38 FROM THE PERMIT

These sheets will be shaded at this time for easy depiction of the areas in question, the pipe line is designated and the disturbed area projections outlined. When approval for this amendment is received, a new set of seven copies of the required drawings will be sent without the shaded portion depicted. These drawings will be to replace those in the permit, a copy should be returned, stamped and dated approved, to Energy West.

A page in the legal, financial compliance section is required, and is attached for review, see attached page 1-14. (614-301-112.600)

A copy of the requirements and drawings presented to Texaco are attached for your information.

If there any further concerns related to this amendment please call Richard Northrup at 687-4822.

Sincerely,



Richard Northrup
Env. Eng.