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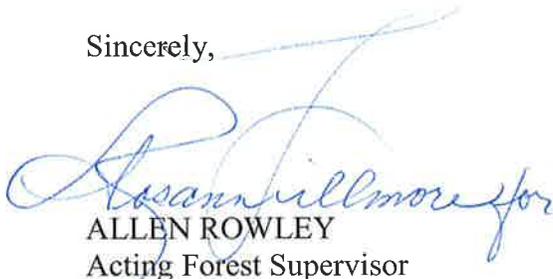
Dear Mr. Haddock:

Manti-La Sal National Forest Minerals Specialist, Kyle Beagley, attended an inspection of the Des Bee Dove Mine reclamation site in response to PacifiCorp's application for Phase II and III bond release. The inspection held on May 28th, 2014 included representatives from the Forest Service, UDOGM, PacifiCorp and Emery County. The purpose of the inspection was to assess whether PacifiCorp, through its wholly-owned subsidiary, Energy West Mining Company as mine operator, had met the criteria necessary for Phase II and III bond release.

Of the 40.9 total acres of reclaimed lands at the Des Bee Dove Mine site, approximately 17.3 acres exist within Forest System lands. Within the reclaimed areas on Forest System lands it was observed that hill sides were brought back to a re-contoured grade that blends well with the adjacent undisturbed slopes and surrounding terrain. Vegetation sampling performed by PacifiCorp during the fall of 2012 and 2013 shows that vegetation growth and establishment has exceeded the approved success standard provided in the reclamation plan; and no signs of soil instability nor erosion problems were observed. No other surface related issues that would preclude Phase II and III bond release were noted. Therefore, the Forest Service concurs with PacifiCorp's application and recommends Phase II and III bond release.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please contact Kyle Beagley at (435) 636-3577.

Sincerely,


ALLEN ROWLEY
Acting Forest Supervisor

cc: Steve Rigby

