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Mr. Ralph Jerman  
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Dear Ralph:

Enclosed you will find a copy of a letter dated October 4, 1978 from Mr. Larry Damrau, Reclamation Specialist for the Office of Surface Mining, Regional Office, Denver Colorado. Essentially, the Office of Surface Mining concurs with the plans for the Deer Creek and Church (Des, Bee, Dove) Mines as far as the broad concept of the plans are set forth. The next step appears to be the completion of the detailed engineering and analysis of the hydrological balance for these two mine sites. I realize that a portion of this information has already been submitted to the Division.

We will contact you as soon as a determination is made on the compliance of the operations with P.L. 95-87. I hope that this letter has alleviated the concern set forth in your letter of September 27, 1978.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Ronald W. Daniels".

RONALD W. DANIELS  
COORDINATOR OF MINED  
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enc: letter dated 10-4-78  
from Larry Damrau



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October 4, 1978

Mr. Ron Daniels  
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Department of Natural Resources  
Division of Oil, Gas and Mining  
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Salt Lake City, Utah 84116

RE: Conceptual Plans, Utah Power & Light  
Church Mines and Deer Creek Mine

Dear Ron,

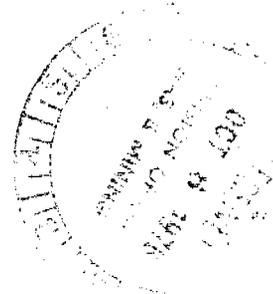
This office concurs with your determination that major construction of new haulroads at the above mines would increase environmental degradation and that the intent of the Federal legislation and regulations can be better achieved through upgrading the present haulroad facilities when and where appropriate.

The concepts expressed by the company, concerning diversions, sedimentation ponds and general site plans are found acceptable as "broad concepts". Any acceptance of a specific plan would, of course, require detailed analysis of the hydrological balance as well as engineering data on the structures proposed, as was outlined in your letter.

This letter should substantiate our telephone conversation of 2 October on the above subject.

Sincerely,

Larry Damrau  
Reclamation Specialist



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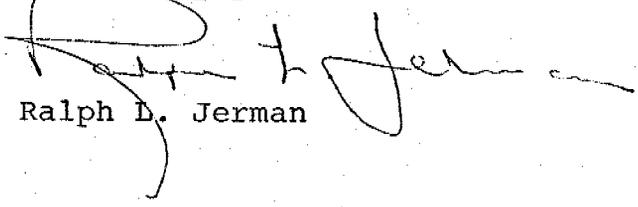
Re: Des-Bee-Dove Mine  
ACT/015/017 and  
Deer Creek Mine  
ACT/015/018A

Dear Mr. Daniels:

During the middle of July, Utah Power & Light Company submitted to you conceptual plans to bring existing facilities at the above mines into conformance with the interim program regulations. It is our understanding that these plans (consisting of drawings and narrative) were submitted to the Office of Surface Mining for its approval. We have never heard anything further regarding approval of the conceptual plans and would appreciate it if you would advise us as soon as possible as to what action has been taken with regard to them.

We are proceeding with diligence to complete the detailed engineering; but, of course, it would be very helpful to us to know whether there are any questions with the conceptual plans previously submitted before we proceed much further. Anything you could do to expedite their approval would be greatly appreciated.

Very truly yours,

  
Ralph L. Jerman

RLJ:p