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September 19, 1980

Mr. Robert Shields
U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service
1311 Federal Building
125 South State Street
Salt Lake City, Utah 84138

Attn: Mr. Clark Johnson

RE: Pre-design Wildlife Consultation
Utah Power & Light Company
Deer Creek - ACT/015/018-A ✓
Wilberg - ACT/015/018-B
Church Mines - ACT/015/017
Cottonwood Portal - ACT/015/027

Dear Mr. Shields:

The Division of Oil, Gas and Mining hereby requests a consultation from your agency concerning the nature and level of detail of fish and wildlife resources information to be provided by Utah Power & Light Company for their permanent permit application pursuant to UMC 783.20 and SMC 779.20 of the Utah Coal Mining Regulations.

The applicant currently operates the Deer Creek, Church and Wilberg Mines and proposes to place a fan portal at the Cottonwood Creek site. The major part of the present and proposed underground workings are located in Township 17 South, Range 7 East and the Western quarter of Township 17 South, Range 6 East. The surface facilities are the usual ones for an underground coal mine as shown on the enclosed maps. Surface ownership is fee and federal, involving a large area of Manti-LaSal National Forest and a small portion of public domain. Coal ownership is fee and federal. The life of the mines is as follows: Deer Creek Mine (ACT/015/018-A) - 35 years; Wilberg Mine (ACT/015/018-B) - 35 years; and Church Mines (ACT/015/017) - 13 years.

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The Division would appreciate your reply within 30 days if possible. Thank you for your continued cooperation.

Very truly yours,



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Enc: Surface Facilities Maps

cc: Shirley Lindsay, O.S.M.