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January 18, 1984

Mr. C. E. Shingleton
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RE: Temporary Storage of Waste Rock
Utah Power & Light Company
Deer Creek Mine
ACT/015/018
Folder Nos. 3 and 4
Emery County, Utah

Dear Mr. Shingleton:

This letter is in response to a request by your mine operator, Emery Mining Corporation, regarding temporary storage of waste rock material at the Deer Creek Mine, which was received by the Division January 13, 1984. This request seeks approval for use of the site designated for permanent waste rock disposal, currently pending and under review by the Office of Surface Mining, as a temporary waste rock storage area until complete mine plan approval is obtained.

The Division recognizes that the operator's current method of using waste rock as backfill is now exhausted in that all areas have been backfilled and graded and that a critical situation is now developing regarding disposal of waste rock to be generated from underground slope construction during February 1984. This matter has been discussed with Ken Wyatt of the Division's Inspection and Enforcement staff, who concurs with the viability of use of the area for temporary waste rock storage. Therefore, in order to circumvent a crisis situation from developing in the near future, the Division hereby approves of the use of this site for temporary waste rock storage with the understanding that, when approved for permanent storage, the site will comply with the approved plan.

Should you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact the Division.

Sincerely,

James W. Smith, Jr.
Coordinator of Mined
Land Development

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