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March 28, 1985

Ms. Sandy Pruitt
Division of Oil, Gas & Mining
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Salt Lake City, Utah 84180-1203

Dear Ms. Pruitt:

REGARDING: Drainage Control Plans for the Deer Creek
Conveyor

This letter serves as a formal response to your written request of March 12, 1985, and your subsequent site visit on March 20, 1985.

Taking into consideration the watershed around the transfer area and the large amount of coal fines accumulation on the immediate area, drainage control and treatment for this area is best served by the separation of the drainage off the undisturbed highwall from the drainage off the disturbed area.

Minor modifications discussed and committed to that will refine the established drainage control are:

The major contributor of coal fines in the undisturbed ditch is where the vertical rolls on the truss going into the transfer are located. Tin will be hung at this point from the truss to the berm to deflect the coal fines away from the ditch.

The berm along the undisturbed drainages ditch will be raised at least one foot along its entire length, and the sluffage blocking the ditch will be removed.

One point needs to be clarified that hopefully will put everything into its proper perspective. Your inspection of March 20, 1985, occurred two to three days after the frost and snow cover left the area. It is felt that even the best designed and conceived drained systems will suffer damage due to sluffage, silt accumulation and deterioration through the winter season. This consequently will require some intensive "spring maintenance". As committed to you, this maintenance work will be completed within the next thirty (30) days, weather permitting.

The work associated with the transfer point was completed by March 28, 1985, as observed on your follow-up visit of March 27, 1985.

Should you require further information on this matter do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,



Larry J. Guymon
Construction Manager

cc: Bill Zeller
Morgan Moon
Jimmy Atwood
Bob Willey
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