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RE: NOV 91-02-244-001 (Deer Creek Mine) and
NOV 91-02-244-002 (Cottonwood/Wilberg Mine)

Dear Dr. Nielson:

On behalf of PacifiCorp Electric Operations ("PacifiCorp"), we hereby notify you that PacifiCorp has appealed the above-entitled Notices of Violation ("NOV's") issued by the federal Office of Surface Mining on June 26, 1991. Although the operator will not be submitting a permit application in response to the NOV's, we are uncertain at this time whether or not reclamation will be performed in accordance with the NOV's. We have prepared notices of appeal to the Office of Hearings and Appeals petitioning for review and requesting a hearing. We hereby request an extension of time in which to respond to the NOV's to allow PacifiCorp to exhaust its administrative appeal remedies in these matters.

Very truly yours,

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