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Mr. Val Payne, Sr. Environmental Engineer
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Dear Mr. Payne:

Re: Permitting of the Proposed Rilda Canyon Lease Extension, Deer Creek Mine, PacifiCorp, ACT/015/018, Folder #2, Emery County, Utah

Permitting for the proposed Rilda Canyon Lease Extension has been an ongoing project for about two and a half years. The permitting chronology is as follows:

02/12/90	Division Received the Proposed Lease Extension Information
05/23/90	Initial Completeness Review Sent by Division (with other agency comments)
10/15/90	Partial Operator Response (hydrology response missing)
05/01/91	Updated PHC Information Sent by Operator
12/26/91	Second Operator Response Sent to Division
02/10/92	PHC Review Sent to Operator
02/26/92	PHC Response by Operator Submitted (partial)
03/06/92	Request by Division to "Update" Plan
03/25/92	Operator Response to PHC Review
05/15/92	Division PHC Review Sent to Operator
07/15/92	Operator Response to PHC Review

The Division is concerned about the "urgency" of this permitting action and its potential of becoming "critical". The chronology, thus far, has not indicated this permitting action to be of a critical nature. This letter is simply notification that the Division is concerned about the scheduling of the review for the Rilda Canyon Lease Extension and does not want the review to be of critical proportions when the "complete and accurate" application is submitted.

If you have any questions or comments, please let me know.

Sincerely,

Pamela Grubaugh-Littig
Permit Supervisor

cc: Lowell Braxton
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