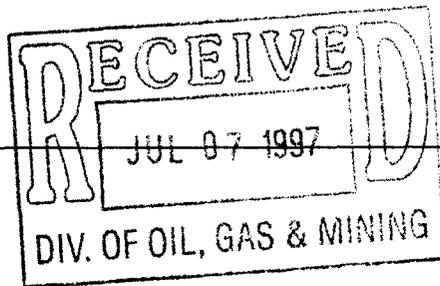




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Attention: Mr. Joe Helfrich

Re: Amendment to Rilda Fan Pad Drainage, Rilda Canyon, PacifiCorp, Deer Creek Mine, ACT/015/018-94E, Folder #2, Emery County, Utah

PacifiCorp, by and through its wholly-owned subsidiary, Energy West Mining Company ("Energy West") as mine operator, herewith submit an amendment to the Rilda Canyon Fan Portal Pad Drainage.

Introduction:

The Rilda Canyon Facility Pad has been constructed, is complete and As-Builts were submitted and approved on April 11, 1997 by the Division. They are part of the existing permit.

Operations :

During various inspections and evaluations of the surface pad area, it has been determined that a need for further improvements to control or deter surface runoff is needed. During the winter of 1996-97, a water line broke that flooded the pad. It would be beneficial in emergency situations such as this to have an additional means of draining the portal pad. A decision has been made to install a grated drop inlet box that will allow relief of surface flow.

The drop inlet box will accommodate both disturbed and undisturbed runoff. The drop inlet has been designed to receive the specific areas as depicted on drawing Number 1, seven copies attached for your review information only. The runoff areas are labeled as "A" for disturbed and "B" as undisturbed. The box size was designed to allow silt cleanout by hand methods, specifically a shovel. A new drawing entitled "RILINLET" depicts the drop inlet box, dimensions and functional details for construction. As depicted, a six inch steel pipe will drain the box to an existing drain line that flows into the mine. Upon approval, this drawing as part of the amendment will be incorporated into the permit.

Drawing Number 2 is attached for review purposes and reflects the positioning of the box on the pad.

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Construction of the project is estimated to take two days. Equipment and manpower will include a rubber tired backhoe, a welder, pickup truck, and three to four men.

When this amendment is approved and construction finalized all necessary drawings requiring revisions to depict the new box location will be sent to the Division in an As-Built amendment.

Hydrologic Calculations:

The discharge, runoff and sizing calculations are found on pages 1 thru 4, Attachment "B" of the amendment. As indicated on pages 1 thru 4 the peak discharge for area "A" is 0.07 cfs and "B" is 0.12 cfs. A total discharge of 0.19 cfs may be assumed for the areas as shown on attached drawing Number 1.

These calculations and design parameters will be incorporated into the permit when approval is received and found under Appendix VII, Volume 3, pages 1 thru 4, Attachment "B".

Also, during the survey to accommodate this amendment it was discovered that the culvert into the mine was in fact only a 12" size instead of the 18" as proposed in the permit. We are including calculations and making changes to the permit to reflect those changes as needed. See page 4 Attachemnt "B". The calculations will indicate that the 12" culvert is still adequate to handle the surface runoff from the pad and surrounding areas that report to that location.

Pages that are required to revise or add in the permit are as listed:

1. Page 3-94, Volume 2, part 3, (highlighted)
2. Pages 1 thru 4, Appendix VII, Volume 3, Attachment "B" includes calculations for the 12" culvert into the mine.

Pages to refer to will be as listed:

1. Page 10 and Hydraulic Calculations , Volume 3, Hansen, Allen and Luce Hydrologic Report, Refer to new calculations for the 12" culvert that are attached.

Drawings that will be included in the permit are as listed:

1. "RILINLET"

Reclamation Costs:

Due to such a minor amount of work involved, "Energy West" feels reclamation costs in relation to the total bond amount is negligible and will not be addressed.

Unless an unforeseen item has been neglected all parameters necessary to this amendment have been covered and are complete.

If there are any problems or concerns that need our attention please call Richard Northrup at 687-4822 or John Christensen at 687-4725.

Thank You

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Richard Northrup". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, prominent initial "R".

Richard Northrup
Env. Engineering

cc: Blake Webster
Carl Pollastro
Chuck Semborski
Barbara Adams (File)

APPLICATION FOR PERMIT PROCESSING

Permit Change <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	New Permit <input type="checkbox"/>	Renewal <input type="checkbox"/>	Transfer <input type="checkbox"/>	Exploration <input type="checkbox"/>	Bond Release <input type="checkbox"/>	Permit Number: ACT/015/018
Title of Proposal: <i>Deer Creek Mine Rilda Canyon Pad Facilities Ammendment</i>						Mine: DEER CREEK
						Permittee: PACIFICORP

Description, include reason for application and timing required to implement: *Placement of Drop Box with 6" discharge, Reason: improve surface runoff facility*

Instructions: If you answer yes to any of the first 8 questions (gray), submit the application to the Salt Lake Office. Otherwise, you may submit it to your reclamation specialist.

<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	1. Change in the size of the Permit Area? _____ acres Disturbed Area? _____ acres <input type="checkbox"/> increase <input type="checkbox"/> decrease.
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	2. Is the application submitted as a result of a Division Order? DO #
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	3. Does application include operations outside a previously identified Cumulative Hydrologic Impact Area?
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	4. Does application include operations in hydrologic basins other than as currently approved?
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	5. Does application result from cancellation, reduction or increase of insurance or reclamation bond?
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	6. Does the application require or include public notice/publication?
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	7. Does the application require or include ownership, control, right-of-entry, or compliance information?
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	8. Is proposed activity within 100 feet of a public road or cemetery or 300 feet of an occupied dwelling?
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	9. Is the application submitted as a result of a Violation? NOV #
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	10. Is the application submitted as a result of other laws or regulations or policies? Explain:
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	11. Does the application affect the surface landowner or change the post mining land use?
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	12. Does the application require or include underground design or mine sequence and timing? (Modification of R2P2?)
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	13. Does the application require or include collection and reporting of any baseline information?
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	14. Could the application have any effect on wildlife or vegetation outside the current disturbed area?
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	15. Does application require or include soil removal, storage or placement?
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	16. Does the application require or include vegetation monitoring, removal or revegetation activities?
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	17. Does the application require or include construction, modification, or removal of surface facilities?
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	18. Does the application require or include water monitoring, sediment or drainage control measures?
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	19. Does the application require or include certified designs, maps, or calculations?
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	20. Does the application require or include subsidence control or monitoring?
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	21. Have reclamation costs for bonding been provided for?
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	22. Does application involve a perennial stream, a stream buffer zone or discharges to a stream?
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	23. Does the application affect permits issued by other agencies or permits issued to other entities?

Attach 7 complete copies of the application.

I hereby certify that I am a responsible official of the applicant and that the information contained in this application is true and correct to the best of my information and belief in all respects with the laws of Utah in reference to commitments, undertakings, and obligations, herein. (8645-301-123)

Richard Northrup *Civil Eng. 7-2-97*
 Signed - Name - Position - Date

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 2nd day of July, 1997.

Debra K Warrington
 Notary Public

My Commission Expires: 7-9 2001
 STATE OF Utah
 COUNTY OF Emery

