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TO: File #2

THRU: Joe Helfrich, Permit Supervisor *JCH*

FROM: Steven M. Johnson, Reclamation Specialist *SMJ*

RE: Silt Fencing Removal at Waste Rock Site, PacifiCorp, Deer Creek Mine, ACT/015/018-97A, File #2, Emery, County, Utah

SYNOPSIS:

PacifiCorp has requested, by letter dated January 10, 1997, that they be allowed to remove silt fence from the Deer Creek Mine Waste Rock Road. This amendment was resubmitted in March 1997.

TECHNICAL ANALYSIS:

OPERATIONAL PLAN

OPERATIONAL HYDROLOGY

Sediment Control

Analysis:

PacifiCorp has submitted a request to remove silt fence from various areas along the Deer Creek Waste Rock road. This submittal is a vegetation study and a map of the area with hand-drawn, red lines show areas that will not change. The vegetation study describes the amount of cover on each cut and fill along the road and the amount of vegetation measured from a 1987 reference area. Appendix XIII provides a textual description of the comparison and procedures used to justify removal of the silt fence. A division biologist has reviewed the data used in these analyses.

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Findings:

PacifiCorp has explain a good rational for removing silt fence in the letter, therefore, any of these areas that are not topsoil stockpiles may be treated by vegetation alone and those silt fences may be removed.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

PacifiCorp may remove silt fences from the area shown on this provided map.

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