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Re: Extension Request for Responding to Deficiencies of the Deer Creek Reclamation Plan.

PacifiCorp, by and through its wholly owned subsidiary, Energy West Mining Company (Energy West) hereby submits an extension request for responding to the deficiencies of the revised Deer Creek reclamation plan.

Recently, Energy West contracted Rollins, Brown, and Gunnel Engineering (RG&B) to conduct slope stability analysis on cut and fill slopes in connection with the revised reclamation plan for the Deer Creek Mine. This contract also included soil sampling of refuse piles to determine if the material in these piles were suitable for plant growth. As to date, we have not received a stability analysis report nor soil sample analysis. It is imperative that this data be obtained before making any response to the deficiencies received March 13, 2000.

Therefore, Energy West requests a 60 day extension to respond to the March 13, 2000 Technical Analysis. It is expected to have both the slope stability and the soil sample analyses within the next couple of weeks. After which, this data can be analyzed and incorporated into the revised reclamation plan.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding this request please contact me at 435-687-4720 or Dennis Oakley at 435-687-4825.

Sincerely,

Charles S. Semborski

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