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Re: Replacement of Volume 11: North Rilda Area, PacifiCorp, Deer Creek Mine, C/015/018, Emery County, Utah

PacifiCorp, by and through its wholly-owned subsidiary, Energy West Mining Company ("Energy West") as mine operator, herewith submits a complete revised Volume 11 North Rilda Area/Rilda Canyon Portal Facilities. PacifiCorp successfully acquired the Mill Fork Lease and entered COAL MINING LEASE AND AGREEMENT with the State of Utah on April 1, 1999. After the acquisition of the Mill Fork Lease, PacifiCorp investigated multiple alternatives to access the coal reserves located to the northwest of the North Rilda Area. The process has included:

- Application for lease modification to physically connect the Mill Fork tract (State Lease) to the existing federal leases controlled by PacifiCorp (submitted November 2001 [originally submitted as a right-of-way application in November 2000]). Federal Coal Lease U-06039 was modified to include an additional 65.7 acres to allow the boundaries of the federal lease to become contiguous with State Lease ML-48258 (approved December 14, 2001)
- Submission of Incidental Boundary Change application to amend the Deer Creek permit to include the lease modification area (approved January 2001).
- Surface coal exploration programs have been conducted to evaluate the coal reserve characteristics (2000-2003).
- Mine plans have been developed based on results of the coal exploration programs. As outlined in Volume 12, access to the Mill Fork lease is accomplished through steeply-dip main entries developed in the Hiawatha seam driven in a westerly direction along the southern most lease boundary.

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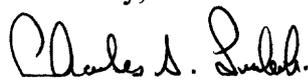
Since the August meetings, Energy West, with the cooperation of the Division, has conducted several baseline environmental studies including; archeological, soils and vegetation. In addition, Energy West is proposing to conduct a geotechnical investigation during the month of November. Energy West encourages the Division to initiate the National Environmental Policy Act process based on the preliminary design submitted with this package.

To comply with the Division's policy, PacifiCorp has provided seven (7) redline copies of the following:

- ❖ Revised Volume 11
(Please replace Volume 11 dated January, 1997 with a new volume entitled "North Rilda Area - Rilda Canyon Portal Facilities November 2003)

If there are any questions or concerns please call me at (435) 687-4720..

Sincerely,



Charles A. Semborski
Geology and Environmental Supervisor
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cc: Scott Child
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- PacifiCorp evaluated long term options to improve overall transportation and economic considerations.
 - Options investigated included:
 - Reserve acquisition of Crandall Canyon Mine
 - New portal facilities in Mill Fork Canyon
 - New portal facilities in Rilda Canyon
 - In-seam horizontal drilling was conducted to evaluate potential location of portal facilities.
- As a result of extensive investigation, PacifiCorp selected Rilda Canyon as the only viable option based on the following criteria:
 - Environmental Considerations
 - Facilities are located in an area previously disturbed by mining
 - Majority of the facilities are situated below the Rilda Canyon Springs
 - Surface facilities are designed to accommodate men and materails (Refer to Figures C: North Rilda Canyon Portal Facility). Coal mined in the Hiawatha (lower) and Blind Canyon (upper) seams will continue to be shipped through the existing Deer Creek mine workings to the portal in Deer Creek Canyon. From this point, the coal will be transported to the Huntington Power Plant coal storage area via the existing overland beltline. Only surplus production beyond the Huntington Plant needs will be trucked on the highway from the plant.
 - Engineering
 - Facilities designed to minimize surface disturbance
 - Utilization of existing infrastructures (roads, powerline)

During the month of August, Energy West Mining Company conducted several open house meetings to introduce the concept of new surface facilities in Rilda Canyon. As discussed during the meetings, total disturbed area associated with the proposed facilities expansion in Rilda Canyon is 10.2 acres based on the preliminary design. As outlined in the regulations (R645-303-220), the revision of Volume 11 - inclusion of new surface facilities in Rilda Canyon, would be considered as a "permit change", (224.00: less than <15% of the total mine disturbance, 224.200: currently within the boundary of the East Mountain Cumulative Hydrologic Impact Assessment [CHIA], 224.300: proposed surface facilities are within a hydrologic basin currently approved by the permit). All of the disturbance as depicted on the enclosed drawings is currently within the approved Deer Creek permit boundary and on Federal Coal leases: U-2810, SL-051221 and U-06039.

APPLICATION FOR COAL PERMIT PROCESSING

Permit Change New Permit Renewal Exploration Bond Release Transfer

Permittee: PacifiCorp

Mine: Deer Creek Mine

Permit Number: C/015/018

Title: Replacement of the Volume 11, PacifiCorp, Deer Creek Mine, C015/018

Description, Include reason for application and timing required to implement:

Permit change to include new surface facilities in Rilda Canyon, replace Volume 11 binder.

Instructions: If you answer yes to any of the first eight (gray) questions, this application may require Public Notice publication.

- Yes No 1. Change in the size of the Permit Area? Acres: _____ Disturbed Area: 10.2 increase decrease.
- Yes No 2. Is the application submitted as a result of a Division Order? DO#
- Yes No 3. Does the application include operations outside a previously identified Cumulative Hydrologic Impact Area?
- Yes No 4. Does the application include operations in hydrologic basins other than as currently approved?
- Yes No 5. Does the application result from cancellation, reduction or increase of insurance or reclamation bond?
- Yes No 6. Does the application require or include public notice publication?
- Yes No 7. Does the application require or include ownership, control, right-of-entry, or compliance information?
- Yes No 8. Is proposed activity within 100 feet of a public road or cemetery or 300 feet of an occupied dwelling?
- Yes No 9. Is the application submitted as a result of a Violation? NOV #
- Yes No 10. Is the application submitted as a result of other laws or regulations or policies?
Explain: _____
- Yes No 11. Does the application affect the surface landowner or change the post mining land use?
- Yes No 12. Does the application require or include underground design or mine sequence and timing? (Modification of R2P2)
- Yes No 13. Does the application require or include collection and reporting of any baseline information?
- Yes No 14. Could the application have any effect on wildlife or vegetation outside the current disturbed area?
- Yes No 15. Does the application require or include soil removal, storage or placement?
- Yes No 16. Does the application require or include vegetation monitoring, removal or revegetation activities?
- Yes No 17. Does the application require or include construction, modification, or removal of surface facilities?
- Yes No 18. Does the application require or include water monitoring, sediment or drainage control measures?
- Yes No 19. Does the application require or include certified designs, maps or calculation?
- Yes No 20. Does the application require or include subsidence control or monitoring?
- Yes No 21. Have reclamation costs for bonding been provided?
- Yes No 22. Does the application involve a perennial stream, a stream buffer zone or discharges to a stream?
- Yes No 23. Does the application affect permits issued by other agencies or permits issued to other entities?

Please attach ~~four (4)~~ ^{SEVEN (7)} review copies of the application. If the mine is on or adjacent to Forest Service land please submit five (5) copies, thank you. (These numbers include a copy for the Price Field Office)

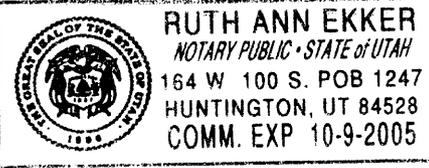
I hereby certify that I am a responsible official of the applicant and that the information contained in this application is true and correct to the best of my information and belief in all respects with the laws of Utah in reference to commitments, undertakings, and obligations, herein.

Charles A. Semborski Charles A. Semborski Geology/Permitting Supervisor 11/4/03
Print Name Sign Name, Position, Date

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 4th day of November, 2003

Ruth Ann Ekker
Notary Public

My commission Expires: 10-9, 2003
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APPLICATION FOR COAL PERMIT PROCESSING

Detailed Schedule Of Changes to the Mining And Reclamation Plan

Permittee: PacifiCorp

Mine: Deer Creek Mine

Permit Number: C/015/018

Title: Replacement of the Volume 11, PacifiCorp, Deer Creek Mine, C015/018

Provide a detailed listing of all changes to the Mining and Reclamation Plan, which is required as a result of this proposed permit application. Individually list all maps and drawings that are added, replaced, or removed from the plan. Include changes to the table of contents, section of the plan, or other information as needed to specifically locate, identify and revise the existing Mining and Reclamation Plan. Include page, section and drawing number as part of the description.

DESCRIPTION OF MAP, TEXT, OR MATERIAL TO BE CHANGED

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Volume 11, entire binder entitled "North Rilda Area January 1997 with a new Volume 11 entitled "North Rilda Area - Rilda Canyon Portal Facilities November 2003

Remove the following information from Volume 11 dated January 1997 and insert into the new Volume 11 dated November 2003 entitled "North Rilda Area - Rilda Canyon Portal Facilities

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Engineering Section: remove Appendix 1 and insert into new Volume 11 Engineering Appendix A

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**** except for maps DU1688, revised maps have been included in the new Volume 11**

Engineering Section: remove Appendix 2 and insert into new Volume 11 Engineering Appendix B

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Engineering Section: remove Appendix 3 and insert into new Volume 11 Engineering Appendix C

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Hydrology Section: remove Appendix 1 and insert into new Volume 11 Hydrology Appendix A

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Any other specific or special instruction required for insertion of this proposal into the Mining and Reclamation Plan.

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