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Re: Rilda Canyon Road, North Rilda Canyon Project, PacifiCorp, Deer Creek Mine, C/015/0018, Task ID #2088, Outgoing File

Dear Mr. Semborski:

Your application to permit mine facilities in the North Rilda Canyon area raises questions regarding the transportation and access routes to the proposed Rilda Canyon facilities. Access will be by an existing county road that may require some modification to accommodate the proposed Rilda Canyon facilities.

In order to better understand the status of the transportation and access corridors and to determine whether or not the road would require a permitting action, we will need some additional information. The following information is needed for the Division to make the required findings. Please provide the following information or a reference to its location in your revised application:

- A. A legal description of the road right-of-way.
- B. Name or numerical designation for the road.
- C. Land ownership for the road right-of-way.
- D. Name of entity responsible for the alignment, construction, maintenance and liability for the road.
- E. Name of the entity responsible for environmental permitting of the road.
- F. Construction standard for the road, and the entity responsible for attaining this standard.
- G. Maintenance schedule for the road.
- H. Source of funds for construction and/or maintenance of the road.

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- I. Examples of similar roads in Carbon and Emery Counties.
- J. Will PacifiCorp have the ability to deny use of the road? If yes, please provide a legal description for the portions of the road that are subject to exclusive use by PacifiCorp. Also please provide the basis for the exclusive use.

Please provide this information by January 21, 2005. If you have any questions, please call me at (801) 538-5286. Thank you.

Sincerely,



D. Wayne Hedberg
Permit Supervisor

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